

## West Islip Summit Coalition

Minutes from the Quality of Life Committee Meeting  
Wednesday, February 4, 2009

Present:

Bernadette Burns  
Margaret Campise  
Nancy Cochran  
Joseph DiPalma  
Maria Figalora  
Steven Flotteron

Anthony Formica  
Steve Gellar  
Dara Gorey  
Barbara Jones  
Annmarie LaRosa

Jim Lundie  
Lynn Luttenberger  
Dawn Morrison  
Marie Pepe  
Rocco Pepe

The meeting began at 7:30 p.m. with a suggestion to choose a chairperson and establish goals for the committee. Board of Education Trustee Annmarie LaRosa nominated Bernadette Burns. Councilman Steven Flotteron recommended that a co-chair without district affiliation be appointed as well. All present agreed. Jim Lundie was nominated and agreed to serve as co-chairperson.

Board of Education Trustee Steve Gellar spoke about the objectives of the Quality of Life Committee. This committee can play an important role in the revitalization of the West Islip community by serving as an agent between the local neighborhoods and appropriate agencies to address problems and issues that are not getting the attention they need to be solved.

The committee brainstormed issues that need to be addressed, including:

Code Enforcement

- vandalism
- loitering
- abandoned property
- illegal apartments
- neighborhood disturbances

Recreational services

- lack of recreation facilities
- maintenance of “park” areas
- senior programs

Outreach programs

- town and county facilities
- health and wellness initiatives

The committee also discussed such quality of life issues as the maintenance of buffer zones, streetlights, snow removal, street resurfacing, potholes, and safety.

Before the next meeting, each member of the committee will research one of the targeted problems and report on the status of the issue.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m. The next meeting will be scheduled pending discussion at the general Summit Council meeting, to be held on Monday, February 23 at 7:00 p.m.