

September KPCA Letter to the Membership

The Kings Park Civic Association conducted its first post election membership meeting on August 22nd. I want to thank everyone for all the time and effort they put into preparing and organizing this event. Our combined efforts helped us to renew and attract more than 60 members in less than a month, and our ranks continue to grow with each passing week. I believe our hard work on many important issues facing our community will help enhance the quality of life for all of our residents.

We will continue to focus our efforts on fulfilling our mission and supporting our residents' best interests. We believe the rezoning, remediation and redevelopment of our industrial area is currently the most important goal on our agenda. This area has the potential to dramatically increase our tax base and lower our tax rate. It could also provide much needed capital for our schools, create jobs and allow our town government to control and improve the aesthetics of the area. During our meeting, our members voted to support a zone change in the industrial area and we will be sharing our position with our town board members.

At our August meeting, our members also discussed the importance of continuing our dialogue with our elected representatives and the State Parks Department to develop and execute a plan to cleanup and create a Nissequogue River State Park that will be an asset to our community. We asked for and received assistance from our Town Board and Public Safety Department in regards to numerous complaints about crime in our parks. We supported Senator Flanagan's efforts to purchase 50 acres of woodlands from St. Johnland and to relocate their CCRC project on the former grounds of the KPPC property. We also thanked County Legislator Nowick for her letter supporting our efforts to remediate and redevelop brownfield properties in the Kings Park industrial area.

We look forward to seeing you and a friend at our next membership meeting on September 20th. The KPCA will explore the possibility of converting our school bus fleet from dirty diesel engines to much cleaner and quieter compressed natural gas operation. Other topics of discussion will include searching for a better and less expensive way to dispose of the town's yard waste, cell phone tower placement, helicopter traffic, and preserving our hamlets last remaining open spaces. The KPCA will also listen to your needs and concerns.

Thank you again for your continued support of our wonderful community.

Sincerely,

Michael Rosato
President
Kings Park Civic Association