

Conservation Board Meeting *Minutes*
Monday, January 22, 2007
7:00pm

The regular scheduled meeting of the Hamlin Conservation Board was held at the Hamlin Town Hall located at 1658 Lake Road, Hamlin and was called to order at 7:00pm by the Chairman Dave Walch with the location of the fire exits and AED explained for those present.

Present: Merritt Ackles, Tom Breslawski, Craig Goodrich, Jeanine Klopp, Tammy Palumbo, Mark Reeves and Dave Walch.

Also present: Planning Board member Tom Jensen, Nancy Jennejahn Annie Burns and Aaron LaFaro.

A motion was made by Mark Reeves, seconded by Tom Breslawski to approve the minutes from the December 12, 2006 meeting with one correction that the minutes reflect that a nomination and second were made for the Chairman and Vice Chairman for 2007 but no vote was taken. The Board will nominate and vote at this meeting. Members polled, all ayes. Motion carried, minutes approved.

A motion was made by Tammy Palumbo, seconded by Tom Breslawski to nominate Dave Walch as Chairman and Craig Goodrich as Vice Chairman for 2007. Members polled, all ayes. Motion carried.

Public Forum Opened

REPORTS

Craig Goodrich gave a report on the January 2, 2007 Planning Board meeting. Craig reported that Kevin Clark received Preliminary and Final Site Plan approval for 5733 Wautoma Beach Road. The Comments from the Conservation Board were discussed. It was determined that the Monroe County Health Department did not inspect the septic system so the Board required that a licensed professional do an inspection of the septic system. Mr. And Mrs. O'Dell received lot combination approval on Westphal and Ed White received Conceptual approval for a 5-lot subdivision at 2210 Monroe Orleans County Line Road.

Craig Goodrich gave a report on the December 18, 2006 Zoning Board meeting. Craig reported that Gwen Comstra applied for a variance for a deck on the front of her house at 5688 Wautoma but it was determined that no variance was needed due to the location of her lot line. The Board thanked Terry Dingee and Donna Stassen for their time on the Board.

Craig Goodrich gave a report on the January 13, 2007 Zoning Board meeting. Craig reported that nothing was on the agenda. A discussion on Wind Towers took place.

Mark Reeves gave a report on the January 8, 2007 Town Board meeting. Mark reported that during the Public Forum the Comprehensive Plan revisions, alternative energy resources and the Wind Tower Law were discussed. The Comprehensive Plan was approved and the Wind Tower committee was established. Interviews were scheduled.

Mark Reeves gave a report on the January 16, 2007 Special Town Board meeting. Mark reported that Mr. Spitzer gave a presentation on Wind Towers. The Wind Tower charter and committee were introduced. Mark is on the committee. Planning Board member Tom Jensen stated that Mark represented the Conservation Board very well at the Wind Tower meeting.

Merritt Ackles gave a report on the January 8, 2007 Fishing Advisory Board meeting. Merritt reported that they discussed the dredging problem at Braddock's Bay. They are trying to obtain a permit to dredge and change the location of the outlet because it fills in as fast as they dredge it out. They are looking for the support of the FAB because the Town of Greece has backed out of the plan. They are looking for support from Louise Slaughter also. No final decision was reached. They discussed allowing 6 more members on the Board.

Dave Walch did not attend the EMC meetings in December and January due to conflicts but will be able to start attending in February again.

Mark Reeves gave a report on the Wind Tower Committee meeting. Mark reported that the members on the committee are Andy Simpson, Glen Quetschenbach, Mark Reeves, Linda DeRue, Jerry Borkholder, David Lucas, Ed Haight, Art McFarlane the Chairman and Ed Evans. They will have a page set up on the Town's website. For the first two meetings the first hour of the meeting will be open forum. Restrictions, effects on wild life and funding for the removal of the towers was discussed. The committee went on their first field trip to view Wind Towers in the area.

Nancy Jennejahn stated that one of the goals of the Wind Tower Manufacturer is they are pushing for off shore wind towers in the future.

ASSIGNMENTS

Craig Goodrich	PB	2-05-07
Craig Goodrich	ZBA	2-19-07
Mark Reeves	TB	2-12-07
Merritt Ackles	FAB	2-12-07
Dave Walch	EMC	2-21-07
Mark Reeves	Wind Towers	2-20-07

DISCUSSION

Dave Walch stated that the Tree Give Away is scheduled for April. He asked the Board if they would like to participate this year. The Board agreed. Dave will have Heather order 1,000 Scotch Pines and 1,000 Douglas Firs. An article will be placed in the paper. The give away will be April 28, 2007 from 9-11 at Tops. Heather will call Tops and get permission to use their parking lot. Order forms and release letters to pick up orders for residents will be available in the Town Clerk's office. Mark your calendars.

Dave Walch mentioned a letter from the NYS Conservation Commission inviting them to become a member. The annual fee is \$75.00. This includes newsletters, workshops and an annual conference. Some discussion took place on the location of the conference. Dave will look into the location and find out the number of local towns that are members and the Board will discuss it next month.

Dave Walch mentioned a training opportunity in Buffalo on the Storm Water Coalition if anyone was interested in attending he has the information.

Nancy Jennejahn asked if anyone was following up on the Yanty Marsh funding. Dave stated that he talked with the Senior Engineer and the funding was not available at this time. Dave will look into it further.

Dave stated that he would follow up with Denny Roach on the Heritage Woods project and restoring the property. Tammy was concerned as to why the Building Inspector didn't stop the developer from clearing the property before it got this far. She stated that it is a shame the number of trees and wildlife that was destroyed in that area. Craig Goodrich stated that the Town Engineer gave the developer permission to clear the land.

Craig Goodrich stated that he was concerned about the inconsistencies with the LWRP. They need to find out who controls the area and maintain consistency. The Board will look into it and discuss it next month.

Jeanine mentioned an article on the New Arbor Day map. The warmer weather areas have shifted and this has caused the hardiness zones to change. The article suggested what types of trees should be planted in these areas.

Mark mentioned an article on how homeowners can produce green power.

Merritt mentioned an article stating that ravenous shrimp have been discovered in Lake Ontario. The number of evasive species is increasing in the lake.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Craig Goodrich, seconded by Mark Reeves to adjourn this portion of tonight's meeting. Members polled, all ayes. Motion carried.

HAMLIN WATERFRONT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting called to order.

Present: Merritt Ackles, Tom Breslawski, Craig Goodrich, Jeanine Klopp, Tammy Palumbo, Mark Reeves and Dave Walch.

REFERRALS

None

DISCUSSION

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Tom Breslawski, seconded by Jeanine Klopp to adjourn tonight's meeting barring no further business. Members polled, all ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes respectively submitted by:

Heather Norman
Clerk to the Support Boards

The next scheduled meeting of the Hamlin Conservation Board will be held on Monday, February 26, 2007 at 7:00pm.