

Conservation Board Meeting *Minutes*  
Monday, March 24, 2008  
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: Ed Evans, Craig Goodrich, Jeanine Klopp, Aaron LaFaro (late), Mark Reeves and Dave Walch.

Excused: Merritt Ackles

Also present: Town Board Liaison Paul Rath, Town Board member Tom Breslawski, Planning Board member Tom Jensen resident Nancy Jennejahn.

A motion was made by Craig Goodrich, seconded by Mark Reeves to approve the minutes from the February 25, 2008 meeting as recorded. Members polled, all ayes. Motion carried, minutes approved.

**Public Forum Opened**

Ed Evans passed out wild bird feeders to everyone. Thank you Ed.

**REPORTS**

Jeanine Klopp gave a report on the March 3, 2008 Planning Board meeting. Jeanine reported that Heritage Woods was granted Preliminary Subdivision approval. Several neighbors had drainage and traffic concerns during the Public Hearing. Country Creek Phase II received Final Subdivision approval contingent on a property transfer being filed. The property located on Lake Road East Fork was discussed. The Board determined that a Site Plan approval would be required for the addition because it was more than 50% of the original.

Jeanine Klopp gave a report on the March 17, 2008 Zoning Board meeting. Jeanine reported that 6344 Snore Acres was scheduled a Public Hearing for several variances to move an existing garage to a vacant lot across the street. Ed Evans had some concerns about how low the property is and if fill would be brought in. The condition of the garage was discussed. A discussion took place regarding how close the garage would be to the existing pond area. Ed was also concerned about some trees that were removed from the property. Jeanine and Craig will do a site inspection prior to the Public Hearing and provide comments to the Zoning Board. Chairman Dave Walch suggested that Jeanine put the comments in writing for the Zoning Board meeting.

Mark Reeves gave a report on the March 10, 2008 Town Board meeting. Mark reported that the Public Forum was comments on the Wind Towers and the Heritage Woods

access. The letter from the Conservation Board was discussed and a resolution was made. Article 10 was discussed. Mark reported on the February 25, 2008 Special Town Board meeting. The Town Board agreed on a 1200' setback for Wind Towers. The new law is on the website. The LWRP is also posted on the website now. April 10 will be a Public Hearing for the Wind Towers and April 24 will be the vote. Ed Evans discussed some concerns that he has with the meetings being video taped. He feels that this intimidates the people so they won't speak during the Public Forum. He questioned the legality of the meetings being taped. He is against having the meetings video taped. He stated that several people have asked him about it. The Town Board will check into the legality of the meetings being taped and what can be done.

Craig gave a report on the March 18, 2008 EMC meeting. Craig reported that the County Waste Site Program was discussed. The Monroe County Health Department locates waste sites and inventories what is there and specialists come up with a plan for the clean up. Craig also reported on the Flood Plain meeting held by the Planning Board. He reported that a representative from the DEC explained the process and revisions to the Flood Plain maps. Starting in Sept. 2008 new construction has to be at 253' elevation for the first floor. Craig has concerns with this creating drainage problems for the neighboring properties that are lower. The I.J.C. is planning to raise the lake level 2' this year also which causes a lot of concern for the lake front properties. Some discussion on the lake level took place.

Ed Evans gave a report on Hamlin Beach State Park. Ed reported that he met with the park manager Marty several times. They met with the Historian Mary Smith and are working on gathering photos and information on the old prisoner of war camps at the park. Marty plans to have signs describing the area and buildings and paperwork and photos will be available so that the history of the Town can be learned. It will be quite a project when it is complete. They will be starting this spring. There will be a kiosk with info and photos in Area 1 and a new office in Area 2 coming in the future also. Ed also thanked Dave for the information that is passed on to the Board via email.

Ed discussed the negative wind tower info that they are receiving from a resident and feels that the resident should make the copies and have the expense if he wants the info passed on. It shouldn't be at the town's expense.

Ed passed around some pictures of new Wind Towers in Eagle. One Wind Tower was turned on at a time. They are 500' from the road. One picture showed a herd of 47 deer feeding right under the Wind Tower.

**ASSIGNMENTS**

Aaron LaFaro	PB	4-7-08
Jeanine Klopp	ZBA	4-21-08
Mark Reeves	TB	4-14-08
Merritt Ackles	FAB	4-14-08
Craig Goodrich	EMC	4-15-08
Ed Evans	HBSP	

## **DISCUSSION**

Goals for 2008 will be discussed next month when Merritt is there. If anyone has any other goals forward them to Dave.

Dave stated that the Conservation Board presentation to the Town Board is July 14, 2008

Training opportunities at Bushnell's Basin May 9, Dept. of Planning training April 9, Riverside Convention Conference April 29-30 and a Scientific Info meeting on Beach Operation Proposals April 9.

Dave mentioned that Earth Day at the Park would be April 26 from 10-2. It will also be the Tree Give Away. They are meeting with the park again next week. They would like to extend an invite to the Town Board, Planning Board and Zoning Board.

Jeanine mentioned an Agricultural Review meeting April 7 at the Ogden Town Hall.

Craig mentioned Spring Clean up April 28-May 10 and Brush Pick up May 12-16.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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

## **HAMLIN WATERFRONT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Meeting called to order.

Present: Ed Evans, Craig Goodrich, Jeanine Klopp, Aaron LaFaro, Mark Reeves and Dave Walch.

Excused: Merritt Ackles

## **REFERRALS**

None

## **DISCUSSION**

Mark mentioned the letter to B.J. Maier and asked if everything was all set now. Dave stated that it is a learning stage and the process wasn't fully understood. It is important that the Conservation Board's input be heard and recognized. Dave explained that the other meetings don't have an open forum and the Chairman will ask the Conservation Board for comments.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Craig Goodrich, seconded by Ed Evans 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, April 28, 2008 at 7:00pm.**