

Conservation Board Meeting *Minutes*
Monday, August 25, 2008
7:00pm

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

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

Also present: Town Board liaison Paul Rath, Planning Board member Tom Jensen, Dale Cocca and resident Nancy Jennejahn.

A motion was made by Craig Goodrich, seconded by Aaron LaFaro to approve the minutes from the July 28, 2008 meeting as recorded. Members polled, all ayes. Motion carried, minutes approved.

Public Forum Opened

Dale Cocca from Iberdrolla Renewables gave a presentation on Wind Energy Development.

REPORTS

Jeanine Klopp gave a report on the August 4, 2008 Planning Board meeting. Jeanine reported that Hidden Creek Mobile Home Park Phase 6 received Preliminary and Final approval. Some discussion took place about building in the wetland buffer. The Cable Subdivision received Preliminary and Final approval. Lot 2 is not approved for building because it is located in a wetland. 7016 Benedict Beach received Preliminary and Final approval.

Jeanine Klopp gave a report on the August 18, 2008 Zoning Board meeting. Jeanine reported that Mary Jane Dreyer received several variances. Building Inspector Charlie Hungerford suggested moving the house back from the lake. Donald Capuano received several variances. Mr. Tomaszewski received a height variance for his garage on Newco Drive. A Public Hearing was scheduled for Mr. Newbauer for a garage addition. A Public Hearing was scheduled for 1352 Brookedge Drive for setback variances for a shed. Ed Evans noted that Charlie Hungerford stated that the Flood Insurance would increase for the homeowners along the lake if houses continue to be built in the hazard area. Some discussion took place regarding flood insurance.

Ed Evans gave a report on the August 11, 2008 Town Board meeting. Ed reported that the new meeting room is great but it is difficult to hear the Board members. Town Board Liaison Paul Rath will address that with the Board. There were no Public Forum comments. Both presentations were well done. The discussion for the revaluation was very helpful. The re-val will be completed by 2010. The Supervisor will oversee the

funds and taxes will not be increased as a result of the cost of the project. Beehler Construction did not get the Conservation Overlay District along Country Creek Lane changed. Ed does not agree with expediting the variances for that area though.

Merritt Ackles did not attend the August 11, 2008 FAB meeting.

Craig Goodrich reported on his meeting with Louse Slaughter. Craig reported that they discussed sewers along the shoreline and the increasing lake levels.

Ed Evans gave a report on Hamlin Beach State Park. Ed reported that the CCC Camp project is progressing beautifully. They are continuing to clear trails. A CCC Camp expert visited last week and climbed aboard and is sharing information also. Marty plans to make the land and pond area accessible to the public for fishing. They are researching a claim that the entire camp property is not on state land. Surveyors are coming next week. Samples of two kinds of evasive plants found at the park were shared. Ed asked everyone for help gathering information about the CCC Camp. He also is looking for help clearing the trails. Dave added that they would be breaking ground in September for the new office building located in Area 2.

ASSIGNMENTS

Jeanine Klopp	PB	9-2-08
Jeanine Klopp	ZBA	9-15-08
Ed Evans	TB	9-8-08
Merritt Ackles	FAB	9-8-08
Craig Goodrich	EMC	9-17-08
Ed Evans	HBSP	

DISCUSSION

Ed Evans would like to add a current event discussion at the end of the meeting. Dave agreed to add “Conservation Issues” under discussion at the end of the meeting.

Chairman Dave Walch stated that the Intercoastal Clean Up would be Sept. 20 at 9:00am at Area 4 at Hamlin Beach. An ad would be put in the paper.

Chairman Dave Walch stated that he received a letter from the DEC in response to his letter requesting that the Conservation Board be made aware of all projects in Hamlin. They stated that they would try to make their staff aware of our request and share info in the future.

Chairman Dave Walch also received a letter from Supervisor Roach stating that the LWRP is finally going to be approved. The letter also suggested EPF funding for a grant for sewers along the shoreline.

Oct. 3 is the Great Lakes Conference. August 28 is the Great Lakes Water Supply Conference.

Merritt stated that he had a Fishing Access Update. They received 4 positive responses from landowners. A total of 15 letters were sent. They are in the process of setting up meeting dates. Merritt also mentioned the Lake Phosphorus Article. He stated that they continue to test but no action is ever taken. It is an issue in Sandy Creek.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Craig Goodrich, seconded by Jeanine Klopp 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, Ed Evans, Craig Goodrich, Jeanine Klopp, Aaron LaFaro, Mark Reeves and Dave Walch.

REFERRALS

8 Summer Haven- porch. Craig had no issues.

6620 Shore Acres- Break wall repair. Craig and Dave had no issues.

DISCUSSION

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Craig Goodrich, seconded by Aaron LaFaro 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, September 22, 2008 at 7:00pm.