

Conservation Board Meeting *Minutes*
Monday, January 23, 2012
7:00pm

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

Present: Merritt Ackles, Ed Evans, Jeanine Klopp, Nick Kramer, Paul Nau and Dave Walch.

Also present: Town Board Liaison Marty Maier, Planning Board member Tom Jensen and resident Ralph Preston.

A motion was made by Ed Evans, seconded by Paul Nau to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2011 meeting with the word "Preliminary" added to Nick's Zoning Board report. Motion carried, minutes approved.

Public Forum Opened

REPORTS

Jeanine Klopp gave a report on the January 2, 2012 Planning Board meeting. Jeanine gave a report on the decisions made by the Planning Board. The Jones-Walker Sub/Site Plan received Final approval. Lucky Jacks received approval to extend their hours. The Conservation Development Permit for 122 Lake Rd. East Fork was referred to the Zoning Board for variances. Living Hope Sub. was referred to the Zoning Board for variances to create a non-conforming lot. They discussed that the Planning Board cannot regulate the hours for a commercial business.

Nick Kramer gave a report on the December 19, 2011 Zoning Board meeting. Nick reported that the Hazen property received variances and 811 Chase Rd. received approval for variances.

Nick Kramer gave a report on the January 16, 2012 Zoning Board meeting. Nick reported that the Vesty Sub. on Roths Cove received variances. It was a Simple Lot combination and the lots already existed.

Ed Evans gave a report on the January 2, 2012 Town Board meeting. Ed reported that this was the Organizational meeting.

Ed Evans gave a report on the January 9, 2012 Town Board meeting. It was Supervisor Breslawski's first meeting and it was run very smoothly. The Town Board accepted Jason Baxter's resignation letter from the Conservation Board. The Highway Superintendant discussed the town purchasing some property behind the old Homestead. Ed hopes the Board will ask for input from the Conservation Board regarding this purchase.

Paul Nau gave a report on the January 9, 2012 FAB meeting. Paul reported that due to the floods in Vermont destroying the Lake Trout hatcheries there won't be any Lake Trout this year. Hits to the website have increased. They will be updating their membership list. A new law prohibits trailer hitches from extending past car bumpers.

Dave Walch gave a report on the January 18, 2012 EMC meeting. Dave reported that a speaker from Larsen Engineering gave a presentation on green technology and efforts to increase sustainability of municipalities. He mentioned Masdar City in UAE as an example of a highly sustainable city. China has the largest Wind Farm in the world at 10 gigawatts. In December 2011 the Town of Greece dissolved their Environmental Review Board (Conservation Board).

Ed stated that he has framed Nick's newspaper article. Ed Evans gave a report on Hamlin Beach State Park. Jay reported that they have established a work group to work on the Master Plan for the Park. The Yanty Marsh study continues. The 2012 Earth Day will be 4-21-12 from 9-3 in Area 3. I Love My Park Day sponsored by the Friends of the Park will be 5-5-12 in Area 3. Park employees have been working on the removal of Ash trees along the Genesee Valley Greenway Trail to help control the spread of the Emerald Ash Borer. Ed stated the Conservation Board's involvement with the CCC/POW Camp is addressed by policy #23 of the LWRP. The manager of the Park asked the Board for their help with this project. A gentleman from Albany toured the Salvation Army Camp at Troutberg and stated that two of the buildings may be from the CCC Camp but he couldn't confirm it due to the buildings being divided up into separate rooms inside. Ed has received the actual blue prints from the buildings and additional information that verifies the buildings were divided up into separate rooms. He will be emailing the gentleman from Albany and giving him this new information. Ed passed out the latest letter (#12) from his contact in Germany who was a German POW at the camp.

The next Friends of the Park meeting is Feb. 8 at 7:00pm

The next Earth Day meeting is Feb. 6 at 9:00am

Jeanine Klopp gave a report on the January 12, 2012 Zoning Workshop. Jeanine reported that they reviewed several items from the Building Inspector Lee Nettin. Simple Lot Combinations were discussed and eliminating the need for variances if no building is being proposed. They worked on small corrections to the code. The fee schedule was discussed. Acreage change for keeping of animals was discussed. The next Zoning Workshop will be Feb. 16 at 7:00pm.

ASSIGNMENTS

Jeanine Klopp	PB	2-6-12
Nick Kramer	ZBA	2-13-12
Ed Evans	TB	2-20-12
Paul Nau	FAB	2-20-12
Dave Walch	EMC	2-15-12
Ed Evans	HBSP	
Jeanine	ZW	2-16-12

Town Board Liaison Marty Maier stated that interviews for the Conservation Board opening will be Feb. 20 at 6:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ed Evans, seconded by Jeanine Klopp to adjourn this portion of tonight's meeting.

HAMLIN WATERFRONT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting called to order.

Present: Merritt Ackles, Ed Evans, Jeanine Klopp, Nick Kramer, Paul Nau and Dave Walch.

REFERRALS

122 Lake Road East Fork- 4' front addition. Jeanine reported that there we no issues. They have received a DEC permit.

DISCUSSION

Ed Evans passed out newspaper articles on Mining in the Grand Canyon, removing the railroad tracks in Old Forge, Hydrofracking causing earthquakes and plastics being used for fuel.

Nick Kramer passed out an article on Hydrofracking from the Talk of the Towns magazine.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Jeanine Klopp, 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, February 27, 2012 at 7:00 pm.