

Conservation Board Meeting *Minutes*
Monday, April 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 Vice Chairperson Merritt Ackles with the location of the fire exits explained for those present.

Present: Merritt Ackles, Ed Evans, Jeanine Klopp, Nick Kramer, Paul Nau and Steven Rutherford.

Excused: Dave Walch

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

A motion was made by Ed Evans, seconded by Steven Rutherford to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2012 meeting as recorded. Motion carried, minutes approved.

Public Forum Opened

REPORTS

Jeanine Klopp gave a report on the April 2, 2012 Planning Board meeting. Jeanine reported that 122 Lake Rd. East Fork received Conservation Development permit approval. The Groves Corners Sub. was approved. The Chape Sub. was approved and the Weist Sub. was approved with contingencies.

Nick Kramer gave a report on the April 16, 2012 Zoning Board meeting. Nick reported that there was a Public Hearing for 2082 N. Hamlin Rd. Variances for barn and addition were granted.

Nick Kramer gave a report on the April 9, 2012 Town Board meeting. Nick reported that all of the code changes were approved. The May 7 training workshop was approved for 1 hour of training. The sewer project along the lake is on hold until they can look into getting a grant writer. The library repairs were discussed. They are looking into building a new library.

Paul Nau did not attend the FAB meeting.

Ed Evans gave a report on Hamlin Beach State Park. He did not receive a report from the Manager this month. The Assistant Manager starts this Thursday. The Park did a fantastic job for the Earth Day celebration. All of the Conservation Board members and 4 Town Board members attended Earth Day. 14 people went on the CCC Camp tour in the rain. They are working on cleaning up the NE corner of the site. Garlic mustard is invading the site. They have found coal in the soil in the NE corner. Ed thinks this is from when the camp was over populated so tents were set up to accommodate the overflow. The escape of POW Carl Kester was discussed. An Albany Historical Representative contacted Ed and told him he had to give

them all of the artifacts that have been found on the site but Ed called them and the State has agreed to let the findings remain at the park on display. The Park will not have a Master Plan now it will be a commitment list. They have been removing a pile of dirt from the site and when an old potato chip bag was found it proved that the pile was put there after the CCC Camp and was alright to be removed from the area.

Chairperson Dave Walch sent an email thanking all the members for all of their help and time with Earth Day.

Jeanine reported that 25 bags of garbage were collected at the beach cleanup. Jeanine sent a thank you letter to Westside News. Photos of Earth Day were submitted to the paper also.

Jeanine Klopp gave a report on the April 15, 2012 Zoning Workshop. Jeanine reported that a draft of code changes written by Attorney Ken Licht was discussed. They are looking into changing the handicap parking and keeping of animals code. The code for keeping dogs in a multi family house was also discussed.

ASSIGNMENTS

Ed Evans	PB	5-7-12
Nick Kramer	ZBA	5-21-12
Ed Evans	TB	5-14-12
Paul Nau	FAB	5-14-12
Dave Walch	EMC	5-16-12
Ed Evans	HBSP	
Steve Rutherford	ZW	5-10-12

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 Steven Rutherford.

Excused: Dave Walch

REFERRALS

19 Summer Haven- 8' x 60' dock. Jeanine and Ed reported that it was consistent with the LWRP.

DISCUSSION

Ed discussed having a definition of beach added to the LWRP. Several articles on fracking, wind farms, DEC regulations and gas drilling were passed out. Nick attended the Emerald Ash Borer task force meeting. He handed out an identification guide and map with instructions regarding the quarantine areas. Hamlin is in the quarantine area. Nick is on the education committee and will attend every month.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Paul Nau, seconded by Ed Evans to adjourn tonight's meeting barring no further business. Members polled all ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Heather Norman
Clerk to the Support Boards

The next scheduled meeting of the Hamlin Conservation Board will be held on Tuesday, May 29, 2012 at 7:00pm.