

Conservation Board Meeting *Minutes*  
Monday, September 24, 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 Chairperson Dave Walch with the location of the fire exits explained for those present.

Present: Merritt Ackles, Ed Evans, Jeanine Klopp, Nick Kramer, Steven Rutherford and Dave Walch.

Excused: Paul Nau

Also present: Town Board Liaison Marty Maier.

A motion was made by Jeanine Klopp, seconded by Steve Rutherford to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2012 meeting as recorded. Motion carried, minutes approved.

**Public Forum Opened**

**REPORTS**

Jeanine Klopp gave a report on the September 4, 2012 Planning Board meeting. Jeanine reported that a Conservation Development Permit was approved for a break wall repair at 9 & 10 Summer Haven. It was consistent with the LWRP. The Hamlin Meadows was seeking re-subdivision approval. They have received condominium status and would like to eliminate the lot lines. There were some setback concerns. The Board requested a copy of the condo map before moving forward. Jeanine discussed the Ash Borer response plan. The Planning Board is willing to work with the Conservation Board when there are Ash trees involved in their site reviews.

Nick Kramer gave a report on the September 17, 2012 Zoning Board meeting. Nick reported that Mr. and Mrs. Sawyko received a variance for a garage and porch addition on Newco Drive and Mr. and Mrs. Rasbach received variances for an addition closer to their detached garage on Wautoma Beach.

Ed Evans gave a report on the September 10, 2012 Town Board meeting. Ed reported that Brush Pick Up starts October 22. The Emerald Ash Borer response plan was discussed. There is no longer an immediate urgency to act but a plan should be in place. Nick will provide an updated report to the Board. Ed shared the LWRP history with the Town Board regarding the Commercial Zoning on Moscow Road.

Dave Walch reported on the September 19, 2012 EMC meeting. Dave reported that they went on a field trip to a private home in W. Henrietta to view a wooded lot that has been devastated by the Ash Borer.

Ed gave a report on HBSP. He read the manager’s report. Park attendance from June 1 through August 31 was 214,852 vehicles. That is 10,000 more cars than last year. The beach was open 76 days out of 80. In 2011 it was open 75 days out of 79. They are working on the plans for the four areas for development in the Park; Yanty Marsh, the West end of the Park, the CCC Camp/POW and the Park entrance. They will be starting a major renovation of the camp ground electric service. They will also be paving the camping loops. The camping area will be closed during the construction. Ed reported that they continue to mow and clear at the CCC Camp Site. They fixed the drainage issue. Signs have been put up to safeguard the area. The house has been cleaned. The Friends of Hamlin Beach received an email from a former POW that was forwarded to Ed. He is an 87 year old former prisoner that was there from 1944 to 1945. He worked at Duffy Motts. He sent Ed a copy of his Disarmed Enemy Certificate, Christmas card inserts that they sent home and a German book that he purchased while he was there. He was also able to locate the open air jail site.

Chairperson Dave Walch reported that 175 volunteers helped at the International Coastal Cleanup at the Park on Saturday.

**ASSIGNMENTS**

Jeanine Klopp	PB	10-1-12
Nick Kramer	ZBA	10-15-12
Ed Evans	TB	10-9-12 (Tues.)
Paul Nau	FAB	10-8-12
Dave Walch	EMC	10-17-12
Ed Evans	HBSP	
Jeanine Klopp	ZW	

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Merritt Ackles, seconded by Ed Evans 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, Steven Rutherford and Dave Walch.

Excused: Paul Nau

**REFERRALS**

8 Summer Haven- 8' x 23' existing second story deck. Merritt reported that it was consistent with the LWRP.

**DISCUSSION**

Ed discussed the current Commercial Zoning on Moscow Road and the connection with the LWRP. It is a benefit to have for the continued affect for the LWRP.

Nick reported that he received a letter from Mark Whitmore explaining the 3 tiers of the Emerald Ash Borer infestation. This minimized the immediate threat in Hamlin so Nick has modified the Response Plan. The town should be more active when it is found 10 miles away. The Board agreed to get a count of the trees at this time so Nick and Steve are starting the count tomorrow morning.

Ed handed out copies of articles on Total Eclipse, Oysters Environmental heroes, Health benefits of organic foods, record ice melt, Solarize Madison County big hit and he discussed an article on the World Wide Wind study that has been completed.

Jeanine commented on her recent trip to Boston and how the Big Dig replaced the elevated highways with underground tunnels and gained the city more green space.

Town Board Liaison Marty Maier reported that they are working on the Budget at this time.

The Board congratulated Ed on receiving the Hamlin Heritage Award!

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Jeanine Klopp, seconded by Steve Rutherford 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 Monday, October 22, 2012 at 7:00pm.**