

Conservation Advisory Board Meeting *Minutes*
Monday, October 28, 2103
7:00 pm

The regular scheduled meeting of the Hamlin Conservation Advisory Board was held at the Hamlin Town Hall located at 1658 Lake Road, Hamlin and was called to order by the Chairperson, Dave Walch with the location of the fire exits and AED explained for those present. Please turn off all pagers and cell phones.

Present: Merritt Ackles, Dave Walch, and Jeanine Klopp. Ed Evans and Steven Rutherford were excused for off- site training purposes.

Also present: Town Board member, Marty Maier

Residents present: Cindy Lutwiller

A motion to table the approval of the September 23, 2013 minutes was made by Dave Walch, seconded by Jeanine Klopp. All in favor. Motion carried. As a result of off-site training there are not enough Board members in attendance to vote. The vote will take place at the December 23, 2013 meeting.

PUBLIC FORUM OPENED

REPORTS

Merritt Ackles reported on the October 7, 2013 *Planning Board Meeting*. All 7 members were present. There were no Public Hearings scheduled. There were two applications on the Agenda.

On the *Agenda* were the following:

The authorization to resign the Rockow/Byron Mylar was approved. All signatures to be re-signed and all dates to be updated if the filing date has expired.

Application for Nancy Spidle for a Commercial Business to be called “Just Stuff”. This was granted approval.

The Planning Board suggested some ideas on how their input could be introduced in the Towns monthly Zoning Board Code Revision Workshop meetings that take place in the Town Hall. All of the other Town Boards send representatives to that workshop.

The Town Board liaison was absent from this meeting.

Jeanine Klopp reported on the *Town Board Meeting*. The meeting was held in the gym to accommodate a larger than expected attendance concerning the Dog Shelter.

There was a resolution of appreciation for Paul Nau.

Paul Rath and the Recreation Department presented their annual reports.

The business portion of the meeting – to pay monthly bills, transfer funds and approval of previous month's meeting minutes.

There will be a Public Hearing for the 2014 budget on November 12, 2013 at 6:00 pm (This meeting has been re-scheduled for November 7, 2013 at 6:00 pm).

The Recreation Department asked to purchase a used Gator in 2 installments.

Board members and department heads gave their end of the month reports.

Dave Walch reported on *Hamlin Beach State Park*. As of 10-20-2013 there are signs in the CCC/POW camp. The water line to the farm house has been flagged and the Monroe County Water Authority has acknowledged it by placing their blue flag with the parks marking. The Park has placed the fire extinguishers in the house and has installed smoke detectors. Mums have been planted outside. Artifacts continue to appear at the site. Painting crews have spruced up several areas of the Park including swings and Shelter #2. Some bridges are being replaced on the Yanty Marsh Trail. The weekend Park entrance fee has stopped for the season. Camping is also closed for the season.

Jeanine Klopp reported on the October 21, 2013 *Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting*.

There were two *Public Hearings* scheduled.

The first one was for a front setback variance for premises located at 343 Morton Road. The variance was granted.

The next one was for an area variance of three acres located at 317 Redman Road. This application as tabled until the November 18, 2013 meeting as the County comments were not back and a current survey is needed.

There were two items on the *Agenda*.

The first one was for a small addition to an existing cottage located at 60 Lake Road East Fork. A side setback variance would be required. A Public Hearing was scheduled for the November 18, 2013 meeting.

The next application was for an area variance. A variance of 2.3 acres was requested as part of the property was being sold off as farm land. A Public Hearing was scheduled for November 18, 2013.

It was discussed by the Board the requirement of 5 acre lots. The Chairperson noted that there is a strong pressure in farming which is making the land more valuable. It was mentioned that 2 acre required lots would do nicely as most residents on 5 acre parcels let the land go to a natural state or rent the extra they don't use for farm use.

There was no *Zoning Board Workshop* this month. There is talk about getting it started.

Dave Walch reported on the *EMC meeting* that was held on October 16, 2013. There was a speaker from the Genesee Land Trust who spoke about what they do, and how they try to preserve land in and around Monroe County. They have 4100 acres under protection at this point in time. There are 12 preserves and 22 conservation easement permits also.

A letter from the Supervisor discussing the invasion of Asian Carp from the group called Freshwater Future. The species is close to entering Lake Michigan. They are an aggressive species. They can jump 10 ft. and injure boaters and other recreational users. The fish multiply fast and eat a lot. It is being requested that towns that are along the Great Lakes and the Lakes Basins to put together a resolution that states that each town would do whatever they can to keep the carp out of the Lakes basins and to eradicate the ones that are here. It was decided that the Board will wait to discuss this issue when they have a full Board present.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn this portion of the meeting was made by Jeanine Klopp, seconded by Dave Walch. All in favor. Motion carried.

HAMLIN WATERFRONT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting called to order by Chairperson, Dave Walch.

Members present: Merritt Ackles, Jeanine Klopp, and Dave Walch. Ed Evans and Steven Rutherford excused due to off-site training.

REFERRALS

Merritt Ackles completed 2 LWRP site visits this month.

- 1) 7920 Newco Drive – Pre- assembled/built shed. The location of the proposed shed was not per code so the homeowner had to change his plan and move it to another location on the property.
- 2) 60 Lake Road East Fork – A cottage addition. It is a very small addition on a very small cottage. It will be a 3' x 7' addition. The homeowner wants the addition so that it conforms to the existing cottage. They want to move the shower from the bedroom into the new addition.

Jeanine Klopp completed 1 LWRP site visit this month.

- 1) 18 Creekview Drive – Hot Tub. Conservation Board member Steve Rutherford assisted with this site visit as he lives in the neighborhood. It was his first time on a site visit. There were no issues. It is placed on concrete pavers. They are well away from Sandy Creek.

Chairperson, Dave Walch closed the Hamlin Waterfront Advisory Committee portion of the meeting.

DISCUSSION

Town Council member **Marty Maier** reported on the Town Board.

There is one more budget meeting to go. It is scheduled for November 7, 2013. No decision on the Conservation Advisory Board Membership. They may be waiting for the final numbers of the budget to make a decision.

Jeanine Klopp reported on an article from the Atlantic Newspaper from the New York State chapter of the Sierra Club. There is pressure to vote no on proposition 5. She made copies for the members to review before they go to the polls. The water level is low. It is not as low as when Hurricane Sandy came through. There was nothing to report from the *Fishing Advisory Board*.

ASSIGNMENTS

Jeanine Klopp	PB	11/04/2013
Ed Evans	TB & HBSP	11/11/2013
Steve Rutherford	ZBA & FAB	11/18/2013
Dave Walch	EMC	11/20/2013
Merritt Ackles	LWRP	

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dave Walch, seconded by Merritt Ackles and Jeanine Klopp to adjourn tonight's meeting baring no further business.
Members polled: Merritt Ackles aye, Jeanine Klopp aye, and Dave Walch aye. All in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Cheryl Pacelli
Clerk to the Support Boards

The next scheduled meeting of the Hamlin Conservation Advisory Board will be held on Monday, November 25, 2013 at 7:00 pm at the Hamlin Town Hall.

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