Hamlin Conservation Board Meeting ***Minutes***
March 22nd, 2004
7:00pm

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Hamlin Conservation Board was held in the Board Room located at 1658 Lake Road, Hamlin NY and was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Dave Walch with the location of the fire exits explained for those present.

Present: James Doan, Craig Goodrich, Tammy Palumbo, Dave Walch.
Also present: Town Councilman liaison Paul Rath, Conservation Patrol Officer Chris Ward and several interested citizens.

A motion was made by Craig Goodrich, seconded by Tammy Palumbo to approve the minutes from February 23rd, 2004 meeting. Members polled, all ayes.

At that time Chairman Walch opened the Public Forum and stated that it will be open for the duration of the meeting.

REPORTS

Craig Goodrich reported on the Planning Board meeting of February 23rd, 2004. Craig stated that there were two Public Hearings held. The first one was for the Ophardts Subdivision of 816 Church Road who received re-subdivision approval. Craig explained that this was a lot combination of the North Star History Center. The second Public Hearing was held for Mr. and Mrs. Jason Humbert of 1649 Walker Lake Ontario Road who were granted a Special Use Permit to build a kennel to board a maximum of 50 dogs at Pheasant Creek Farm Kennels. There was also a Lot Combination Approval for Todd Baase of 3487 Roosevelt Highway. Mr. and Mrs. Testa also received Final Approval to construct a single family residential dwelling at 5700 Wautoma Beach Road. Their existing cottage was already demolished. Chairman Dave Walch asked Clerk Cindy Olds to check the files to see if anyone from the Conservation Board had gone to 5700 Wautoma Beach Road to check the site. Craig stated his concern over the proposed septic system and drainage in the area. Craig further stated that the Rick Vito structure of 5733 Wautoma Beach Road would go before the Zoning Board of Appeals. He explained that the DeLapa's who reside across the street from Rick Vito were seeking an appeal on the classification of the Vito structure. Tom Jensen of Roadside Drive spoke briefly about the Rick Vito structure, explaining that the Dept. of State determined that it was a house, however the new Building Inspector Dick Bauman stated that after reading the State Code more thoroughly found it ***not*** to be consistent with the specifications of a habitable dwelling. Mr. Jenson also stated that there are drainage problems on Wautoma Beach Road that should be addressed. Town Councilman liaison Paul Rath stated that much of the Lakeshore would eventually be on a sewer line. He said that it was estimated that it will cost homeowners roughly $1200.00 per unit annually for 20 years to hook up to sewer lines in their area. Craig further reported that James Reitter of 711 Hamlin Center Road was scheduled for a Public Hearing to obtain a Special Use Permit to operate a HVAC business out of his home.

REPORTS

Also the Beehler-Bower Subdivision was approved for re-zoning. The proposal is for 30 new single family residential homes to be built on Hamlin Parma Townline Road.

James Doan reported on the March 15th, 2004 Zoning Board of Appeals meeting. He stated that the appeal for the Rick Vito classification was denied. However, Rick Vito will be on the Zoning Board agenda for April 19th, 2004 to seek a height variance on his structure. Kevin Chick of 34 Lake Road East Fork was scheduled for a Public Hearing to obtain several variances to construct an addition, deck and a garage onto his residence.

Paul Rath reported on the Town Board meeting of March 8th, 2004. Paul reported that that there was some discussion on re-zoning the land south of Lake Breeze Estates. Victor Tifone of Sunset Builders would like to build residential houses there and wants to change the zoning from Industrial to Residential-Medium density. There was also discussion for the advertising of sealed bids for the Wiler Road Water District. In addition Spring Clean Up starts on April 26th, 2004. Eric Peters is the new Water Superintendent. The new Dog Control Officer will be Charles Rath Sr. Paul also stated that there would be boring done under the Lake Ontario Pkwy. that will connect the Shore Acres waterline with the Walker Lake Ontario waterline.

Chairman Dave Walch reported on the EMC Meeting that he attended. He said that the topic of discussion that evening was looking at light solutions, and various ways of preventing light pollution within the environment. He stated that there are three web sites designed to obtain more info on this subject. They are Dark Sky Society.org, SeleneNY.org, and Dark Society.org.
Chairman Walch also reported on the Monroe County Water Quality Committee meeting that he attended. He stated that there are various projects going on regarding water quality in the area. For example, Conesus Lake has an algae problem. There is water testing taking place and they are trying to neutralize the problem. Storm water runoff is a problem. There are also zebra mussels in Conesus Lake.
Chairman Walch also stated that he would like to spread into the minutes the fact that the Conservation Board appreciates the many years of dedication and service that Mark Reeves put into the Conservation Board and that the Board will miss him. Mark resigned from the Conservation Board recently.
Chairman Walch stated that the Arbor Day Tree Giveaway would be held on April 17th, 2004 at the Tops Plaza beginning at 9:00am till all the free saplings are gone.
Dave Walch passed out information for all Board Members regarding the Nyadic system. He explained that the Nyadic system works well with leachfields.

Tammy Palumbo stated that she would be attending a seminar on Blue Bird nest management.

DISCUSSION

Dave asked if any Board Members would be interested in attending the Local Government Workshop on May 14th, 2004 in Mt. Morris. He asked that applications be given to Clerk Cindy Olds by April 12th, 2004.
Tammy Palumbo gave the Board an update on the Wheelfest. She said the Board's reservation for a booth must be in the Town Clerk's office no later than April 1st, 2004. She said several topics could be put into a display. They would consist of a discussion of the DEC summer camp for children of Hamlin and surrounding towns. In addition, Arbor Day Recognition Day, the NYADIC system, the blue bird trail, the LWRP district and the open space index could be discussed to educate residents.

James Doan discussed the Long Island transfer of development rights program which he explained is a way to preserve open space. The Town has figured out a dollar amount as to what the land is worth-credits are given, when a developer comes in he buys development rights. For example if the lot is 2 acres he can build on one acre only, it is one way to control development and it increases the land value. James stated that there is not much open space left on Long Island. He has spoken to several people working on the Open Space and Master Plan Committee to ask if they would look at using Long Island's method for the Town of Hamlin. It has worked well on Long Island.
Tammmy Palumbo inquired about the oil spill on Newco Drive. Craig Goodrich explained that further clean up of the area will begin soon.
Town Resident Nancy Jennejahn stated that there is no news regarding the levels of arsenic contamination that was found in Brockport creek.

There was also a general discussion in regards to the flooded area to the north of the Hansel's property which is next to the Dollar General Store. Chairman Dave Walch asked what the delay is regarding installation of the fence along the Hansel property? Dave suggested that this issue be referred to Highway Superintendent Tom Ingraham. Also ask Tom how (and if) the detention pond is working properly. He suggested that the Planning Board and Zoning Board be notified before future building in that area is begun.

Town Councilman liaison Paul Rath stated that he attended the Fast Ferry meeting. He said that our Parkway would be one of the heavier trafficked areas around. Also many package deals will be put together to work in conjunction with our golf courses, wineries and area craft shows. Also there is some discussion of adding a hotel to the current Crescent Beach restaurant.
Chairman Walch stated that he appreciates Craig, Tammy and Jim for their continued support of the Conservation Board during this difficult time.
Tammy Palumbo stated that she appreciates Chairman Walch and his dedication also.

ASSIGNMENTS

Craig Goodrich	PB	4-5-04
James Doan	ZBA	4-19-04
Dave Walch	EMC	4-21-04
Dave Walch	MCWQC	
Tammy Palumbo	TB	4-9-04

REFERRALS

5800 Wautoma Beach Road*addition, Brush Creek bridge replacement*Dave

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Craig Goodrich, seconded by Jim Doan to adjourn this portion of tonight's meeting. Members polled, all ayes.

Hamlin Waterfront Advisory Committee

Chairman Dave Walch opened the second portion of the meeting at 7:55pm.
Dave stated that the bridge over Brush Creek needs replacement. Also there is a 20 foot addition being built at 5800 Wautoma Beach Road. This is a non lakeside residence with the septic system located in the back.
Board Member James Doan asked Chris Ward- Conservation Officer who was in attendance at the meeting: When the waterline cuts across the creek does DEC moniter it when they dig through there, for erosion control? Chris replied that it is usually monitored when someone complains.
Chairman Walch inquired about the garbage at the hotel in Troutberg and asked Clerk Cindy Olds to investigate this further.
Chairman Walch asked Paul Rath if he had any info regarding the Yante Creek wall? Paul stated that he hasn't heard anything new and still has no updates regarding the LWRP.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Craig Goodrich, seconded by James Doan to adjourn the meeting barring no further business. Members polled, all ayes. Motion carried, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Olds
Clerk to the Support Boards

The next scheduled meeting of the Hamlin Conservation Board will be held on Monday, April 26th, 2004 at 7:00pm.