

05/25/10 Conservation Board Minutes

TOWN of ELMA CONSERVATION BOARD
1600 Bowen Road Elma, NY 14059

MINUTES OF MEETING – May 25, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the Town of Elma Conservation Board, hereinafter referred to as the ECB, was held on Tuesday, May 25, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Conference Room at the Elma Town Hall, 1600 Bowen Road, Elma, NY.

PRESENT: ABSENT:

Chairman Bryant Zilke Member Kenneth Schroeder
Member Raymond Boy
Member Laurence Daley
Member Michael Sobczak
Member Jim Malczewski
Member William Jackson
Recording Secretary Kerry Galuski

I APPROVE MINUTES – April 27, 2010

Motion to approve minutes of April 27, 2010 made by Jim Malczewski and second by Mike Sobczak. Ayes: 4. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

II UPDATE ON LAND INVENTORY PROJECT

A. Review Elma parcel maps

Kerry met with Joe Ghosen and received help on how to do different colors and different criteria on a map. There is only one group that still needs to be done. A final report will be available at the next meeting. The 50 acre properties are going to have different colors according to the following items:

Open space = one color

Public properties = one color

Protected space = one color
Industrial & Commercial = one color

III CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

A. Follow up - Cost Benefit Model

Ray is going to amend the cost model due to the current information he received from the Town of Amherst. A meeting with Supervisor Nolan is next week to go over the cost model.

IV PROPOSED CONSERVATION EASEMENT LEGISLATION

A. Update on LCE Draft Legislation

Waiting on the Town of Orchard Park Conservation Board to meet with their Assessor in the month of June to see how they plan to attack the easement program. Both Towns are going to the County at the same time. Mike spoke with Rose at the Town of Orchard Park regarding what their Conservation Board is involved with. Information sheets to be handed out at the next meeting.

V NEW CONSERVATION IDEAS

A. SpringBrook Shores walk through to be scheduled at the next meeting. Larry needs an ID card from Ken Schaff.

B. Incentive to land owners of farms to compensate for the frontage of there land. Maybe a dollar a foot with a certain size of frontage. We do not know if any other towns are currently doing anything like this. Possibly a penalty for not keeping up with the program and maybe after a certain period of time the rate increases.

VII FYI

Building Inspector's Report – April 2010
Elma Planning Board Minutes – Town Web Site
Elma Town Board Minutes – Town Web Site
Elma Zoning Board Minutes – Town Web Site

VIII ADJOURN

Motion made by Bill Jackson and second by Larry Daley to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 PM.

Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kerry Galuski,
ECB Recording Secretary