

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

MINUTES OF MEETING – August 23, 2016

The Regular Meeting of the Town of Elma Conservation Board, hereinafter referred to as the ECB, was held on Tuesday, August 23, 2016, being called to order at 7:00 PM in the Conference Room at the Elma Town Hall, 1600 Bowen Road, Elma, NY

PRESENT:

Chairman Bryant Zilke
Member Raymond Boy
Member Kenneth Schroeder
Member Laurence Daley
Member Kimberly O'Rourke
Member Howard Winkler
Member William Jackson
Deputy Attorney Dean Puleo
Recording Secretary Kerry Galuski

ABSENT:

I APPROVE MINUTES

Motion was made by Ray Boy to approve the minutes of July 26, 2016, seconded by Larry Daley. Ayes: 8. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

II UPDATE ON LAND INVENTORY PROJECT

No progress on the land inventory project; the Water Superintendent is fully occupied addressing a water issue at the Seneca Street location which is taking a majority of his time and that needs to be completed as soon as possible.

III PROPOSED CONSERVATION EASEMENT APPLICATIONS

A) The Post survey has to be scanned by the Erie County Clerk's Office and a smaller copy of the survey needs to be created so that it can be scanned. Once the survey is complete and filed with the County Clerk's Office downtown, Dean will give Kerry the Post property easement; once received, an email copy of the easement will be sent to the DEC. Bill Jackson mentioned that the surveyor who did the original survey was located in East Aurora and maybe we should contact them to get a smaller copy of the survey.

B) A letter will be drawn up and signed by Bryant to be sent to Mr. Orynawka informing him to contact the ECB when he is ready to continue with his easement application.

C) The ECB reviewed the BDR that was written up by Kim. Bill made the suggestion to include the GPS coordinates for the pictures that were in the BDR. Kerry is

going to check with the Elma Town Assessor Kandy regarding what exemption takes priority when an applicant is able to file for the enhanced star. A question was also brought up as to whether the property can be split any more; Kerry is going to check with the Building Department. A motion was made to submit the Wieczorek's property to the Town Board for approval 1st - Ray Boy and 2nd - Howard Winkler. After a discussion between all ECB members on how the 15-29 year easement would work, it was decided to wait another month to allow Mr. Wieczorek an opportunity to confirm his interest in the easement program after he was explained his tax savings alternatives.

D) Ray Boy reported that there has been no further contact with Elizabeth Love on which to provide a status update.

E) A list of parcels over 20 acres was distributed to all the ECB members. All of the ECB members will review the list and come back at the next meeting with any properties that should be removed from the list. Kerry is going to look for the old Power Point presentation that was done along with any other handout materials from early on in the program.

F) The tree inventory is complete and has been entered into an Excel format; Kerry is contacting the grant representatives to see what has to be done next.

IV OTHER CONSERVATION ACTIVITY

A) Historical Preservation

There is no activity to report at this time with the Historic Preservation Committee.

B) Subdivision Committee

On Wednesday August 24, 2016 at the Town Boards work session, Drew Reilly will go over some of the key items and changes that he is suggesting to the Subdivision Committee for consideration and to be acted upon.

V ADJOURN

Motion was made by Ray Boy and seconded by Larry Daley to adjourn the meeting. Ayes: 8. Nays: 0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kerry Galuski
ECB Recording Secretary