

Town of Saugerties

Conservation Advisory Commission

Meeting minutes for April 21st, 2011

Present: B. Sawchuk; J. Randall; M. Wrolsen; E. Shafer; L. Thornton; J. Barbour, G. Marzec and S. Thorpe

Absent: None

Convened: 7:00 pm, Saugerties Town Hall.

- The minutes from March's meeting were read. A motion was made to approve the minutes. It was seconded and approved by all.
- G. Marzec provided a summary of the last meeting of the Comprehensive Plan Review Committee. L. Thornton added that a Greenway grant has been completed, approved by the Town and the Village, and will be submitted by Dan Schuster by May 6, 2011.
- J. Barbour provided a handout from the NY Natural Heritage Program on rare, endangered and species of concern for our area.
 - o Spider stated that the addition of species to the list have to be approved by the state legislature.
 - o He also added some notes on some species that were missing from the list.
 - o Spider is developing information on the natural communities in the town and defining the rare communities.
- S. Thorpe brought an article about the installation of a weir at the Blue Mountain Reservoir. The weir will allow more accurate measurement of the stream flow.
- J. Randall provided a revised version of Open Space info pamphlet. The CAC members reviewed it and suggested some final changes.
 - o Once the revisions are made, L. Thornton will check on the logistics of getting the pamphlet printed for distribution.
 - o John Winter from Woodstock Land Conservancy will come to our next meeting and provide information on stewardship of easement property.
- E. Shafer discussed options for the town's bicentennial celebration and tying that into the Farm Day event on July 2, 2011.
- L. Thornton provided information from a League of Women Voters meeting regarding consolidation of town and village services. There are many examples of agreements of this type.
 - o Leeanne also stated that the town has approved a measure to widen the right-of-way of roads by increasing the distance from the centerline of the road.

As there were no further topics for discussion, our meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:00 pm.