

Town of Saugerties

Conservation Advisory Commission

Meeting minutes for January 15, 2015

Present: L. Thornton, B. Sawchuk, M. Wrolsen, G. Marzec, C. Tienken, M. O'Donnell, and J. Randall

Absent: S. Guerin and J. Barbour

Convened: 7:00 pm, Saugerties Town Hall.

- A meeting was not held in December 2013. Minutes were not taken during the November 2013 meeting.
- After previous discussions regarding alternating terms of appointment for CAC members, we decided to recommend the following terms:
 - o M. Wrolsen and G. Marzec – 3 year terms,
 - o J. Randall, C. Tienken, and M. O'Donnell – 2 year terms, and
 - o J. Barbour, S. Guerin, and an as yet unnamed replacement for E. Shafer – 1 year terms.
- L. Thornton will pass these recommendations along to the Town Board. Leanne also stated that E. Shafer resigned from the CAC in December.
- B. Sawchuk suggested that we have continuing education on an annual basis for CAC members. Hudsonia offers a number of courses that may be one source of this continuing education.
- L. Thornton asked about the recent webinar that was offered by the DEC. Brian attended and said that the Power Point slides from the US EPA Watershed Academy will be available on the web in two weeks. (What was the title of the presentation?)
- Updates on Bristol Beach:
 - o C. Tienken stated that S. Guerin is waiting for all the newly elected officials to be in place to follow up on our actions.
 - o Leanne checked on the cost of insurance and said that it would be covered like everything else that is town property. Once we have the amount of acreage that is included, the dollar amount can be determined.
- Leanne brought up the possibility of having a dog park somewhere in the town, as several residents have expressed interest in this.
- At a recent Town Board meeting, Jimmy Bruno mentioned that the current zoning regulations require that developments of 10 units or more must have 20% of the units as affordable housing. Leanne said that this requirement of the 2008 zoning regulations will be brought before the Town Board.
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As there were no further topics for discussion, our meeting was adjourned at ca. 8:30pm.