

Saugerties Conservation Advisory Commission
October 20, 2022 Zoom Video Conferencing

MINUTES

I CLIMATE SMART TASK FORCE 5:30 pm Start

Present: Mary O'Donnell, Leslie Surprenant, Elizabeth Shafer, Mike Harkavy, Ken Goldberg, Skip Arthur, Steve Wehr, Patti Kelly, Susan Murphy, Nicole Roskos. Zach Horton.

Guest: Town Consultant Senior Environmental Planner Adriana Beltrani

Approval of September Minutes Moved by Mike, seconded by Elizabeth, All approved.

Special Presentation on the SEQR Process for Saugerties Farms LLC Town's consultant Senior Environmental Planner Adriana Beltrani explained her role as advisor to the Town Board and the resources her firm brings throughout the process for the proposed Winston Farm development, She reviewed and explained the SEQR process and explained the concept of a Planned Development District and its relevance to the Winston Farm Development Proposal. It was agreed to have Adriana attend the November meeting to continue the discussion of the SEQR process.

CSC Update Ten actions formerly approved have expired and need to be updated. This item was tabled for discussion at the November meeting

Planning Board Report No report

Town Board Liaison Report Zach reported that a representative from Mountainkeeper presented environmental concerns regarding Winston Farm Development during Privilege of the Floor portion at the October 19 Town Board meeting. Members of the public spoke both for and against the project. Zach also reported that the 2023 budget is under discussion by the Town Board,

Announcements No announcements

Adjournment 6:47 pm Moved by Mike, seconded by Susan. All approved.

II. CAC REGULAR BUSINESS 6:50 pm Start

Present Mary O'Donnell, Leslie Surprenant, Elizabeth Shafer, Mike Harkavy, Ken Goldberg, Skip Arthur, Zach Horton.

Approval of September 15, 2022 Minutes Moved, seconded and approved

Aquatic Vegetation Survey Report Update Leslie presented a detailed draft report on a survey she prepared to analyze the effectiveness of harvesting the aquatic vegetation in the Esopus Creek during years 2020 and 2022. After providing a copy of the draft report to the CAC for comment and to DEC Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator Cathy McGlynn for peer review, Leslie will present the final report to the Town Board.

2023 Budget Request \$2500 is requested for the 2023 fiscal year.

Announcements No announcements

Adjournment 7:20 pm.