

TOWN OF ESOPUS  
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TOWN OF ESOPUS WATERFRONT ADVISORY BOARD  
May 6th, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Chair – Cathy Quick, Marion Zimmer, Brett Gherke, Rosemarie Kristofy, Amy Cahill, Janet Bellusci, Joe Guido, Diane McCord TB Liaison, Sheila Pratt, Secretary

Members Excused: Carol Tomasetti, Eli Schloss,

1. **CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Chair, Kathy Quick, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and all rose for the Pledge.
2. **MINUTES:** Kathy made a motion to approve the April minutes as written, second by Marion and Brett.
3. **PLANNING BOARD:** Nothing referred from them at this meeting.
4. **ZONING Per Cathy** – we have spoken about the Cuthell property which may come before WAB in the future due to concerns for the septic to be brought up to today's standards and soil erosion issues on the slope. These issues may require this to be referred back to the Planning Board. Per Joe Guido "If there are any issues please voice them now as Zoning will be voting on it this month."
5. **ENVIRONMENTAL: Cathy and Annemarie Belfiglio** went to the Birches to review plot designated for the garden, Mr. Aaron has stated he will provide fencing and water. Robert Graves students have begun seedlings for the garden.
6. **RIVERFRONT CLEANUP - Per Cathy** -At the Sleightsburgh Spit Park on April 18<sup>th</sup> there were 10 people present for the cleanup and Lighthouse Park is on May 9<sup>th</sup>, please invite as many people as possible to help keep our shores clean, it won't take long as it is fairly clean.
7. **LWRP: Review from DOS** – How it is being used by our town, hoping someone from Planning Board to be present, and then go for a tour of our waterfront areas. Per Marion, concern for the seawalls and the need to be repaired is a concern that needs to be into.
8. **NYS DOT – Per Cathy** - Letter received from NYS requesting feedback regarding repairs to the Eddyville Bridge ; to replace decks, sidewalks, rails and concrete repairs. Per Cathy the bridge will be tented to prevent any debris from falling into the creek.

9. **CHESTER MEETING MAY 20<sup>TH</sup> – WED, @ 6:30 TOE Community Room** - Per Carol fliers for training on water chestnut machine on May 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in Community Rm. Goal is to launch in early June going north first, cutting areas not done last season, then moving south. Boat will be moored closer to shore on River Road thanks to residents that have existing docks.
  
10. **Other Business:** Brett asked what is going on with the gasoline spill? Per Diane Mc Cord; the spill was contained and did not reach the aquifer. The soil has been removed and replaced with clean soil, approximately 300 gallons leaked out; the tanks have been removed and the final cost to date will exceed \$140,000.00. At this time the town is working with the DEC and it has advised the Town to change how it stores their diesel gas. A new tank has been purchased and they have created a contained area for that tank. The contaminated soil is covered at this time and awaiting shipment to a disposal facility. There were no other questions or comments, Cathy then thankd Diane for all her information and adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm.

Next Meeting: June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Pratt, Secretary  
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