

Town of Esopus

Waterfront Advisory Board

November 1, 2017

Members Present: Janet Bellusci, Amy Cahill, Carol Carson-Tomassetti, Joe Guido, Kathie Quick, TB Liaison, Margaret Phelan, Mercedes Ross, Marion Zimmer.

Excused: Brett Gehrke & Eli Schloss

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM..

Minutes: Reviewed June 7, 2017 minutes. **Motion to accept:** Carol 2nd Margaret. All agreed.

Planning Board: 1-Leprechaun Ventures(Murphy), Case#2017-11 SBL:64.003-5-30.5 reviewed. Group had questions about the legality of a storage area, essentially a garage, standing alone without a house. But found no inconsistencies with LWRP. **Motion to pass:** Carol 2nd Mercedes. All agreed.

2-Simon Anthony Lalli, Case#2017-08 SBL:56.060-5-15 reviewed. Group had concerns about increases in drainage/runoff, especially if there is to be an increase in parking (creating new impervious surfaces). If there is an appropriate plan in place for this, we found no inconsistencies with LWRP. **Motion to pass:** Marion, 2nd Amy. All agreed.

Zoning Board: nothing to report.

Environmental Board: nothing to report.

Anchorage/HRW: Carol reported that Coast Guard Selection of Members for Working Groups has not appeared transparent with selection process, & there seems a lack of representation by those river towns which use the Hudson for drinking. At this time, nobody from the Alliance has been named to the group, & now the Alliance is demanding public exposure of the process. A Poughkeepsie man's been 'proposed' to represent the water drinking communities, but it's not certain he's been named.

Margaret has been invited to the Hudson River Ports & Waterways Safety Assessment meeting in Albany, as an observer.

Chester: Carol reports that the 2017 budget was \$2K. Debbie proposed that the Board raise the 2018 line to \$5K & they agreed! Painting is needed, as well as wheels for the rowboat. A helpful handout details the cutting stats from last year, comparing with the prior 6 years. The loads in the south outnumber the north because of growth density. The Scenic Hudson spot near the pavilion was opened up & they said they'd give a donation. It would be great to get drone footage of before & after the cuts for next year's season.

Other business: The paths near Sleightsburgh park have been cleared & opened up.

Next meeting: December 6.

Adjourn: 8pm Respectfully submitted, Janet Bellusci, 11.6.2017

