

TOWN OF ESOPUS
ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD
MEETING MINUTES – DECEMBER 16, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman Mark Ellison
Don Carragher
Chris DeCicco
Noel Russ
Stephen Cerini

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

Susan Barbarisi
Cynthia McVay

ALSO PRESENT:

Legislator Laura Petit (7:10 p.m.)

The meeting commenced at 7:04 p.m.

Old Business:

Minutes - Chairman Ellison called for a Motion to approve the November 4, 2020 and November 18, 2020 Minutes. Upon Motion of Noel Russ, seconded by Don Carragher and the affirmative vote of Members present, the Minutes were approved.

Membership – With the departure of Susan Barbarisi, there were 3 positions open on the Board. Chairman Ellison confirmed with those Members whose terms were expiring that they wished to continue to serve (Cynthia McVay, Noel Russ, Don Carragher and himself).

Environmental Conservation Board Status/Plan – Chairman Ellison summarized discussion that had taken place at the prior evening's Town Board meeting regarding the proposal. Councilperson Quick was helpful in providing input from the Environmental Board to the Town Board. Local Laws Nos. 5 & 6 of 2020 had been adopted and the Members were advised to review. Chairman Ellison commented to the Town that the Environmental Board was asking for input and that further work was necessary prior to submitting the final proposal to the Town.

Supervisor Harris had contacted Chairman Ellison and had asked if there were representatives from the Environmental Board that could attend the Waterfront Advisory Board meeting. As such, Chairman Ellison asked if the Agenda could be held over until January and Outreach Coordinator Alex Dean had provided a link to the WAB meeting.

Climate Smart Task Force

Chairman Don Carragher noted that there were no issues that could not be held over until January.

Next meeting scheduled for January 20, 2021 was again a conflict with the Waterfront Advisory Board. The Secretary stated that she would coordinate with the Outreach Coordinator

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m. so that EB members could join the Waterfront Advisory meeting that was concurrently taking place.

Respectfully submitted: January 14, 2021

Lisa Mance, Secretary