

Town of Esopus
WATERFRONT ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting Minutes

June 24, 2014

Members Present: J. Guido, M. Zimmer, B. Benson, M. Minor, R. Kristofy,
C. Quick, S. Pratt, Diane McCord, Town Board Liaison

Members Excused: C. Tomassetti, B. Gherke, E. Schloss

Guests: Mark Ellison , Mary Ellison

1. Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm and Cathy asked all to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Minutes of the June 17th meeting notes read by the members. Joe Guido made a motion to accept the notes, Marion approved the motion.
3. Zoning Board – Joe had nothing to report.
4. Planning Board – Case #2014-11 - Minor Subdivision of 61 Parker Ave and Lamont Landing. Michael Minor brought the newest set of prints outlining the Proposed lot line adjustments on the old "Barbara Patrick" property. There are two homes on large lots with an earthen "dock" tied to one of the properties. There will be no new construction or change of views with the property. This is so that the newer home will have established lot lines making better visual sense regarding tree lines. Any movement of said "dock" would have to come before the Planning Board and the Waterfront Advisory Board. The access off Parker Avenue would not change. Cathy had questions regarding changes to the dock itself, whose responsibility would it be?
There were no further questions or comments on any aspect of this item.
5. Environmental Board - Mark Ellison - New members are needed. Many calls regarding the barges docked in the river recently. The sail races on Sunday have to keep out of their way. The train noise has also increased recently and is contributed

re-routing of oil crude on rails. Mike had recently written a letter to US Dept. of Natural Resources regarding such activity. Marc also said they are beginning a Community Garden at Ascension Church and are looking for help and materials for the garden. Cathy reported a letter was received from Scenic Hudson wishing to join members helping to identify the rare grass "Frank's Sedge" that was previously seen in Sleightsburg and surrounding areas.

6. River Sweep –WAB Members gathered to clean up the Sleightsburgh Spit Park and Esopus Meadows/Lighthouse Park area. Members of 4H club and Sojourner's club also helped with the clean-up with their parents and leaders. River Keeper noted the improvements that have been made with the upkeep of the area. The group then shared discussions on the boaters and their appreciation of the WAB and their clean-up efforts in the past.
7. Chester – Cathy read a letter from Carol regarding the cutting process with Chester and new volunteers helping out. They reported a break on the mooring shackle and that a repair was in process. The progress has been good and steady. They are hoping to cut to the south near Lighthouse Park.
8. Other Business: There was no other business to report from any other member.
9. Adjournment: Cathy announced the next meeting will be July 22nd and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Pratt