

Town of Clinton Conservation Advisory Council

Minutes – August 8, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 by Barbara Mansell, Chair.

Public Comment: None.

Members present: Jean McAvoy, Norene Coller, Bill Relyea, and Barbara Mansell.

Town Board members present: Eliot Werner and Mike Whitton.

Member of the public present:

Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes of June 13, 2018, was made by Bill Relyea. Norene Coller seconded. All approved.

Communications:

Dutchess Land Conservancy requested a letter of support from the town for Farmland Protection at the Glenmore Farm. The letter was needed for an application to receive grant money from the NYS Dept of Agriculture and Markets Farmland Protection Implementation Grants (FPIG) Program to purchase the development rights of the property. The letter was written by Supervisor, Ray Oberly, and will be approved from town board at the August 14th meeting.

Town Budget Letter requested that the CAC accept a budget of \$500 for 2019. The CAC agreed.

Finances:

| 2018 Budget | Amount | Spent | Remaining |
|-------------|--------|-------|-----------|
| | \$500 | \$25* | \$475 |

*CCEDC “Composting Program” held on June 26th

Climate Smart Energy Subcommittee:

Twenty residents attended the GoodEnergy Town Workshop held on July 24th. Another CCA workshop will be held on September 5th. GoodEnergy is the largest company in the country with the most customers. Jean commented that it is a good idea that the town ask many CCAs to present to the town.

The Benchmarking Resolution was approved by the Town Board on July 10th. Jean has been in contact with Carol Mackin, Town Clerk, to find out where the town’s energy usage data can be found. Pete Setaro has all of the information.

Barbara suggested that a Climate Smart Community Program webpage be added to the town website. Residents will be able to learn about the program.

Zoning Revision:

The Zoning Revisions 2018 can be found on the town’s website. There are 40 new and/or changed sections and 80 sections were unchanged.

Education and Outreach:

Upcoming Programs - Co-Sponsored with the Library:

“Rediscovering Native Alternatives to NYS Invasive: Perennials” CCEDC - August 30, 6:30pm

“Deer and Your Garden” will be presented by Brad Roeller, IES – Thurs, Sept 13, 6:30pm

“Ticks: A Proactive approach to Manage the pest and avoid its effects,” CCEDC – Sat, Sept 29, 11:30am

Several members took a “Welcome to the Town” folder to give to new residents.

Nature Trail Subcommittee:

Wappingers Creek Intermunicipal Council (WIC):

Eliot reported that much of the discussion at the July 27th meeting did not pertain to Clinton.

The next meeting is Friday, October 26th in Lagrange.

Other Business:

Household Hazardous Waste Disposal & Electronics Recycling Event – Sat, Oct 27, 2018 – 8am to 12:30pm

Next Meeting: September 12, 2018 at 4PM

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Mansell

Barbara Mansell, Chair