



Town of Esopus
Waterfront Advisory Board -
Meeting via Zoom
June 23, 2021 Minutes

Members Present: Margaret Phelan, Chet Allen (7:15 p.m.), Dale Wolfield (left meeting at 7:14), Carol Tomassetti, Eli Schloss (7:06 p.m.), Vincent Coq (7:04 p.m.), and Marion Zimmer.

Also Present: Planning Consultant Matt Rogers, Legislator Laura Petit, Environmental Board Liaison Cynthia McVay, Diane Dintruff, Supervisor's Confidential Assistant Alex Dean

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

ZTF - Update provided by Planning Consultant Matt Rogers - The Town Board had scheduled a Public Hearing starting July 21, 2021 for Chapter 123 Zoning. Several updates were not relevant to the waterfront but campgrounds associated with marinas were not going to be allowed unless the WAB wished to entertain as part of its Zoning recommendations. Over 5 campsites or RVs require regulation by the State which was onerous.

A parcel on the northwest corner of Riverview was being taken out of the PUD and being zoned as R12 which is consistent with zoning in Sleightsburgh.

The Code relative to utility solar farms was improved to discourage use of pesticides/herbicides, improve the use of pollinators and encourage use for wildlife.

Additional revisions made relative to dark sky lighting and noise had been made. The proposed revisions were available on the Town website.

Minutes - Chairperson called for Motion to approve WAB minutes of May 25, 2021. Motion passed.

Chester - Member Tomassetti stated that cutting had been taking place to the North and good progress was being made. Scatter growth being contained. Dale Wolfield % Brett Gehrke assisted in moving Chester to the South. Carol is receiving great a support from the Bruderhof community. She is training volunteers and trying to get more volunteers from other groups. She is working to get more experienced cutters to assist with on-water training of new recruits.

NYS DOS Referral - F-2021-0449-NYS DOT (Long Lines & Special Pavement Markings) - Hearing no objections from Members, Chairperson would be directing Secretary to forward standard response letter.

The Waterfront Advisory Board moved into business for the Waterfront Access Committee hosted by Planner Matt Rogers.

Dated: June 29, 2021

Respectfully Submitted:

Lisa K. Mance, Secretary

Approved: September 22, 2021