



Town of Esopus
Waterfront Advisory Board -
Meeting via Zoom
October 26, 2021 Minutes

Members Present: Margaret Phelan, Marion Zimmer, Eli Schloss, Chet Allen, Vincent Coq and Carol Tomassetti

Also Present: Environmental Board Liaison Cynthia McVay, Diane Dintruff (7:21 p.m.), Supervisor's Confidential Assistant Alex Dean and Town Board Liaison Kathy Quick

Water Chestnut Cutting – Carol Tomassetti informed that she had been contacted by the NYS DEC with concerns relative to chestnut cutting and the effect on the bass population. She and Amy Cahill had been working with the Carey Institute to measure eel grass and other aquatic submerged vegetation which would grow in place of the water chestnuts. The goal was to measure growth from year to year to gather scientific data. The random transits provided didn't indicate any growth but 10 feet in other locations there was growth. Another conversation with the DEC was going to take place. A scenario may be that a permit would need to be obtained, particularly in the Sleightsburg area since it is considered protected wetlands. They would start providing information to obtain a permit if needed.

WAC/LWRP Business:

Matt Rogers moved into the WAC/LWRP business at 7:20 p.m.

September 2021 Minutes -Upon Motion of Eli Schloss, seconded by Chet Allen, meeting minutes were approved.

Next meeting – Chairperson would circulate dates in November to determine what would be the best date for the next meeting.

Upon Motion of Chairperson Phelan, seconded by Marion Zimmer, the meeting adjourned at 8:4 p.m.

Dated: November 9, 2021

Respectfully Submitted:

Lisa K. Mance, Secretary

Approved: March 30, 2022