



TOWN OF COLONIE

347 OLD NISKAYUNA ROAD

LATHAM, N.Y. 12110



Town of Colonie Conservation Advisory Council Meeting Minutes – April 21, 2016

Attendees: Ellen, Rosano, Chairperson and members Don Allard, Mike Brennan, Laura Weed, Sudhir Kulkarni and Linda Whelton plus Colonie resident, Carolyn Martel

CAC minutes of April 7, 2016 were approved.

Conservation Day is primary focus of April 21 CAC meeting:

Member Kulkarni completed flyer which will be emailed to CAC members to be printed and distributed by members throughout town. Good locations are Stewarts Shops, Hannaford supermarkets, town buildings, anywhere with a bulletin board

Confirmed organizations attending Conservation Day include DEC (Rob Cole), Save the Trees, Pine Bush Preserve Commission (Ericka Small), Cornell Cooperative Extension and Fort Orange Garden Club.

Meet at TOC Town Hall Garage at 5:00 pm Friday 5/6/16 for tree prep

Banana boxes to be picked up by member Brennan Friday afternoon at Hannaford –Wolf Rd.

Labels for the bags are all printed

Summary of trees purchased: total of 2,250 trees:

- Red Pine 100 trees 2/bag = 50 bags
- Blue Spruce 100 trees 2/bag = 50 bags
- Douglas Fir 250 trees 3/bag = 83 bags
- Arrowood 200 trees 3/bag = 66 bags
- Bayberry 300 trees 3/bag = 100 bags
- Button Bush 100 trees 2/bag = 50 bags
- Pussywillow 300 trees 3/bag = 100 bags
- Red Stem Dogwood 200 trees 3/bag = 66 bags
- Sand Cherry 200 trees 3/bag = 66 bags
- Toringo Crab Apple 200 trees 3/bag = 66 bags
- Wetland Rose 200 trees 3/bag = 66 bags
- Tamarac 200 trees 3/bag = 66 bags

Poster with pictures and descriptions of trees done by member, Rosano

An easel is still needed.

Chairperson, Rosano had meeting with Joe LaCivita, Director of PEDD. They discussed town's commitment to follow TOC resolutions regarding removal of trees. TOC is committed to follow regulations concerning removal of trees by developers. A copy of the TOC Resolutions and document listing invasive species is to be provided by PEDD to developers. TOC Comprehensive Planning Committee will have a member of CAC on it when it convenes. Chairperson Rosano, discussed with Mr. LaCivita the need for CAC members to be trained in reading plans and other environmental aspects related to development projects.

Notes on Planning Board meeting of April 19, 2016 were provided by member, Allard. CAC discussed any conservation issues related to:

- Murray Manor Senior Apartments-61 Bought Rd – Application for one year extension of 12 unit apartment building
- Natick Hills Conservation Subdivision -362 Vly Road – Application for Concept Acceptance
- Gordon Apartments Special Use Permit 945-957 Watervliet Shaker Road – Application for SEQR Determination.

For complete information regarding the status of projects and/or public comments please see planning board minutes 3/22/16 at Town of Colonie PEDD website.

Review of Plans provided to CAC by PEDD: Soldier On- Project at old Ann Lee Nursing Home Property and Campus View – Project. Comments to be sent to PEDD by Chairperson Rosano.

Chairperson Rosano recommended adjournment and member, Kulkarni seconded.