



TOWN OF COLONIE

347 OLD NISKAYUNA ROAD

LATHAM, N.Y. 12110



Town of Colonie Conservation Advisory Council Meeting Minutes – April 23, 2015

Members present: B. Ulrich, E. Rosano, L. Weed, L. Whelton, S. Klukarni, M. Brennan and D. Allard.

Old Business- Finalizing the tasks for Arbor Day: Member Weed will make signs for the individual trees/shrubs to be placed in front of the items so the public will be able to easily identify the items.

Member Whelton to write Thank You notes as needed.

Member Allard reported 6 individuals from the South Colonie Key Club will be coming to wrap trees.

Representatives from the Fort Orange Club will also be attending the event.

Member Rosano will pick up the needed items at Lowe's. Cooperative extension will also have a representative present.

Member Weed will complete a timeline as the items are disbursed.

Liaison Rosano will determine how many residents benefit from this project.

The number of seedlings that will be placed in the "newspaper" will be determined after the members are able to view the quality and size of the seedlings.

Each household will be given 2 bags per family.

New Business- Member Weed attended the EAB task force meeting today. The group was shown the damage the EAB can do first hand. She also reported that there was a publication "How To Do A Natural Resources Inventory". Member Allard will try to secure copies for the Council.

Member Rosano reported on the planning Board meeting held 4/14/15:

Zorlak Car Lot-1985 Central Ave. –Tabled

First Columbia Office/Hotel- 227 Wolf Road 652 Albany Shaker Rd - Change to elevation from 5 to 6 stories. It is a smaller footprint than originally presented. No vote required.

Albany RV Parking Lot -34 Rensselaer Ave. Presenters replied to the comments made at the previous meeting. Berms and trees were added to the site to shield the parking lot from drivers going north and south. A member of the public was present and voiced his concerns regarding the current site of storage for Albany RV, which is located on Exchange St. He feels the site is in disrepair and that the homes located near the site have decreased in property values. The amount of sand and the small gravel stones have damaged his property and have prevented him from opening his windows.

Crisafulli Professional Building- 407 Albany Shaker Rd. Concept Acceptance and ODA Recommendation to Town Board. Passes

Langan Audi- 723 Loudon Road Sketch Plan Review. Plan is to raze existing dealership and replace with a new dealership. No vote necessary.

Northern Pass PDD -1226 Loudon Road Board Update Increase in number of apartments in each building from 8 to 12. Footprint has expanded

Resolution Adopting 2015 GEIS Development Mitigation Cost Worksheets for the Airport, Lisha Kill-Kings Road and Boght Road-Columbia Street GEIS Study Areas. New Worksheets with an increase in fees. Recommendation to Town Board Resolution Authorizing Use of Funds Collected Pursuant to the Statement of Findings for Lisha Kill-Kings Road Area Generic Environmental Impact Statement for Recreational Improvements. This recommendation would allow the town to use mitigation fees throughout the town where improvements are needed. However the funds would have to be used in the same category for which the mitigation fees were paid. (If the funds were paid for a water issue the funds would have to be used to improve or enhance an issue which dealt with water).