



TOWN OF COLONIE

347 OLD NISKAYUNA ROAD

LATHAM, N.Y. 12110



Town of Colonie Conservation Advisory Council Meeting Minutes – August 6, 2015

Attendees: Bob Ulrich, Chairman and members Don Allard, Mike Brennan, Sudhir Kulkarni, Ellen Rosano, Laura Weed and Linda Whelton.

The minutes from the July 23, 2014 meeting were reviewed and approved. Laura Weed went over the notes taken at the Planning Board meeting on July 28, 2015.

Don Allard brought in the following articles of interest from recent Times Unions:

- July 17, 2015 – Efforts are being made by some State Senators to expand the dredging of Hudson River PCBs and to include the Champlain Canal.
- July 24, 2015 – The Department of Environmental Conservation is launching its fourth annual Swimming Pool Survey, inviting pool owners to keep an eye out for Asian longhorned beetles, an invasive beetle that causes serious damage to trees.

Another article talked about the Adirondack Park Agency's approval of permits for the removal of non-native plants and animals.

The members discussed the email sent by Michael Lyons, urging member to complete the Capital District Regional Planning Commission's Upstate Revitalization Initiative Survey. Some member had already completed it, while others will. SEFCU is donating up to a total of \$5000 to three charities voted on by the survey takers.

Also talked about was the course in Habitat and Water Resource Assessment for Land Use Planning in New Paltz September 10-12, 2015. It is sponsored by Hudsonia LTD and the Hudson River Estuary Program. There was interest in attending, but the three-day commitment was difficult for all members.

There was a plan review for Natick Hills at 362 Vly Road. This subdivision will have 32 lots on 34 acres for the building of single family homes. The proposal shows 58% green space, but concerns were expressed over the destruction of existing trees on the property.

The meeting was adjourned.