



# TOWN OF COLONIE

347 OLD NISKAYUNA ROAD

LATHAM, N.Y. 12110



## **Town of Colonie Conservation Advisory Council Meeting Minutes May 16, 2013**

Present: Members Ulrich, Weed, Kulkarni, Allard, Whelton, Palmer, & Town Att. Spath

April 18, 2013 Meeting Minutes were not available for review.

### **AGENDA**

**Conservation Day 2013:** Member Weed summarized the distribution of tree seedlings stating that the flowering bushes were the most popular and the pine trees were less in demand. The Council recommended that more flowering bushes and fewer pine trees be ordered next year. The Council also suggested that additional environmental groups (i.e., Sierra Club, Five Rivers) be invited to participate in Conservation Day 2014.

**Planning Board Reports:** Member Palmer reported that the Planning Board approved the following projects on April 23, 2013:

- *Village of New Loudon* for Review & Adoption of Open Development Area.
- *Public Hearing, CAP COM Federal Credit Union Office* for Final Site & Subdivision Plan Approval.
- *Albany RV* for Application for Concept Approval.
- *Empire Real Estate Management* for Application for Design Standard Waiver, Change of Use from Single Family Residence to a Real Estate Office.
- *Trans Tech Systems* for Application for SEQR Determination & Final Review.

Member Allard reported that the Planning Board approved the following projects on May 3, 2013:

- *Canterberry Crossings, Phase I & II*, for Site Plan Amendment Building Elevations.
- *Cumberland Farms, 211 Troy-Schenectady Rd.*, for Sketch Plan Review.
- *Staybridge Suites* for Final Review.

### **Site Reviews:**

- *National Union Bank of Kinderhook, 782 Troy-Schenectady Rd.* Project proposes 48.5% green space. The Council recommended that the project not use Ash trees in their landscape plan because of the infestation of the emerald ash borer in this region.
- *One Mill Road Apartments, 1 Mill Rd.* Project proposes 66.2% green space.
- *Giardinelli Conservation Subdivision, Alexander Crt.* The Council deferred review to DEC, Stormwater Protection and Conservation Overlay because the project proposes a 2 lot subdivision for housing and a conservation area in a conservation development overlay.

### **Other Business:**

- Chairperson Ulrich read an e-mail from Kevin Franklin, Town Historian, requesting to meet with the CAC to discuss the placement of signs along the Town bike path.
- Member Weed volunteered to prepare the bulletin boards on the topic of stormwater management as requested by Ulrich.
- Members Weed and Palmer volunteered to assist other Council members if they are unable to attend Planning Board meetings during their assigned times.

- Chairperson Ulrich confirmed member assignments for the remainder of 2013: Bulletin Boards: May/June - Member Allard, July/August - Member Weed, Sept./Oct. - Member Kulkarni, Nov./Dec. - Whelton. Planning Board Meetings: June/Sept. - Member Kulkarni, July/August - Member Weed, Oct. - Member Allard, Nov./Dec. - Member Whelton.

Member Weed made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Member Allard.

Meeting Minutes submitted by Member Palmer.