



TOWN OF COLONIE

347 OLD NISKAYUNA ROAD

LATHAM, N.Y. 12110



Town of Colonie Conservation Advisory Council Meeting Minutes – January 16, 2014

Present: B. Erlich, E. Rosano, L. Whelton, D. Allard

Recording of the minutes of the CAC meetings has been assigned to members on a rotating basis. A suggestion was made that the member who is attending the Planning Board sessions also takes the minutes of the CAC meeting. The minutes will be emailed to each member for review. Corrections will be noted; the minutes will then be sent to Tori for distribution to members and filed at the Planning Dept.

Bulletin Boards this month are: invasive species (plantings) and The Emerald Ash Borer.

Member Rosano has been assigned the bulletin boards for the months of Jan/Feb. Member Rosano will also be recording the minutes of the CAC meeting.

Arbor Day: Advertising for the event will be handled by Member Rosano. Information for Arbor Day will be provided to Sara Weist for inclusion in the Chronicle. Additional contacts will be made with other publications.

Two species of trees that were ordered are not available, substitutions have been made.

Sue Pezzula from Cooperation Extension had committed to have Master Gardeners available to town residents for any gardening questions they may have. The master gardeners will also do a demonstration. The topic has not been decided as of this date. Member Allard suggested that we utilize the Cooperative Extension program to keep town residents up to date on gardening/environmental issues. He suggested an event possibility be held at the library. Further discussion will be held by the Council.

Member Rosano reported on the Planning Board meeting held of 1/16/14; HILTON homes2 Suites-no environmental issues. Board voted unanimously in favor of the setback change.

Premier Motors Auto Sales - No environmental issues. Lighting on the back of the building was an issue for neighbors. Owner agreed to take the lights down and ensure the lighting timer was working properly.

A Metro Movers & Self Storage - Neighbors of the project requested a screening be placed between the properties. Owners and neighbors agreed on trees being added to the area.

North Ridge Hollow Cluster Subdivision - Builder requested a change in the set back requirements. Perspectives buyers are requesting larger back yards as opposed to larger front yards. The Board voted to have the proposal reviewed by the Town Board.