



# TOWN OF COLONIE

347 OLD NISKAYUNA ROAD

LATHAM, N.Y. 12110



## **Town of Colonie Conservation Advisory Council Meeting Minutes – September 4, 2014**

Present: D. Allard, M. Brennon, E. Rosano, B. Ulrich, L. Weed and L. Whelton

Meeting was called to order at 7 p.m.

Motion to accept minutes of CAC August 21, 2014 meeting by member, Rosano and seconded by member, Brennon

Request was made by chairman, Ulrich that members should respond to each notice of planned CAC meeting as to whether they will be attending or not.

Planning Board Reports: Notes of Planning Board Meeting of August 26, 2014 (and abridged for purposes of CAC meeting minutes)

- 1) Sketch Plan Review Crossings Apts off Rt 2: 2 Buildings proposed 35% green space; 1.8 parking spots per unit; 175 apartments proposed; would be adjacent to the Cicotti Center at Crossings Park; area will be walkable with sidewalks and connected to Wolf Rd and Metro Park Rd; TDW points out that the zoning says that there should be more commercial development on the property but that may make it a special development project as there is public benefit from improvements to the pump station, the sewer and sidewalks. TDE wants parking garages moved to the rear. Sketch Plan Approved.
- 2) Hudson Preserve 2 Troy-Schenectady Rd: rezoned to allow development of this project; promises 80% green space and has 158 units; plan changed to eliminate road across green space making project more environmentally friendly; porous pavement to be used; there will be flow-through from roof water to planters where water is cleaned. There will be a landscaped courtyard and berm with planting behind the garages. Old trees on site to be retained; nature trail added connecting with Hudson Preserve 1. Private sewer system is owned and maintained by the site. TDE: concept letter issued; project is 1 SEQR; main concern is storm water management; poor soil for storm water management however it is a clustered development and infrastructure is adequate. The site will be landscaped along Rt 2 and along roadway into complex. Concept Approved.
- 3) Peregrine Assisted Living 35,759 sq ft single story wood frame building: Proposal to build an assisted living center specializing in memory care on South Family Drive for 60 residents. The Shaker Historical Society will consult on furnishings and building style. Developers requesting Final Concept Acceptance. Builder requesting setback waiver. The SEQR issued negative findings and the EPA survey passed. The connection to the sewer line and the storm drains table is high so the building has been raised; building will have 26 ft wide porous pavement road around the building. Concern that Watervliet watermain not be interfered with. Lighting modified to eliminate lights in back of building. TDE: Letter cited no outstanding issues; storm water plan approved. Zoned office/residential within the Shaker historical district.; will not impact Shaker Pond or Ann Lee Pond. Low, down lighting promised by developer. Waiver findings: setback and parking waivers granted. Final Concept Plan Approved.
- 4) Hawk Yard Open Development Area – Off Fonda Rd 110 Fonda Rd: Proposed single family residence on 13,750 sq ft lot; developer wants to build new house behind the legacy house. No apparent conservation issues. Concept Approved.

CAC reviewed site plan for 1210 Troy –Schenectady Rd.

Chairman Ulrich to request information on where or how the current bike path ending at British American Blvd and Troy-Schenectady Rd intersection could join with bike path planned for 1210 Troy-Schenectady Rd to Town Park on Mohawk Hudson Bike Path.

Motion to adjourn meeting from member, Weed and seconded by member, Rosano.