

CONSERVATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

JANUARY 15, 2013

PRESENT: Donald Buckley, Chairman
Jason Keding
Richard Lee
Mike Monin
Sharon Stuart

ABSENT: Jeffery Szudzik

ALSO PRESENT: Thelma Faulring Secretary to the Boards and Committees

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Chairman Buckley called the meeting to order at 7:53 PM

MINUTES

Mr. Buckley asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of November 20, 2012. Being none, Mr. Monin made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Mr. Keding and carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Chairman Buckley reported:

- NYS Department of Public Service – request for participation in a survey
 - Mr. Buckley will forward to Mr. Szudzik and ask that it be posted on the Website for Town resident’s participation – ‘to consider potential new rules and regulations to improve the operation of retail energy markets for the benefit of consumers.’

Secretary Faulring reported:

Received in November:

- Arbor Day November / December issue
 - Copies in members folders; original in Town Hall lobby

Received in December:

- 1 copy of the ‘The Conservationist’ – mailed to Boston Free Library

Received in January:

- Arbor Day January / February issue
 - Copies in members folders; original in Town Hall lobby
- NYS Department of Public Service – notification of public statement hearings in Cheektowaga and Williamsville regarding proposed rate increases by National Grid

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Szudzik was ill and not in attendance at this evening’s meeting

ERIE COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Mr. Lee reported:

- Pat Marren reported that a survey was sent to local Towns on the Emerald Ash Borer situation
 - Boston’s was not returned
 - Website for invasive species at – NYIS
- Grants available for tree inventory through the D.E.C.
- The Report to the County Executive has to be diligently worked on to get it to him by August 1, 2013
- Designing to Live Sustainably
 - Awards to be given soon
- NYSERDA
 - Will try to get funding this summer for five county implementation project
- ‘One Region Forward’ – John Knott
 - His website is called citycraft
- Conference on the Environment to be held in Buffalo early in October

LIAISON – COUNCILMAN VARA

Mr. Vara was not in attendance this evening.

Mr. Lee reported that Mr. Vara was coaching in Eden this evening.

OLD BUSINESS

Environmental Awareness Day

Summary has been submitted.

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Scenic By-Way Sign

In process of choosing a location for placement – probably will be in front of the Town Hall.

Mr. Szudzik will have more information at the next meeting.

Fishing Derby – 2013

- Mr. Szudzik has some demographics for us to look at
- Need to request use of Lion's Shelter, ponds, tables, chairs, etc.
- Need to request use of sign standard
- Need to start assemble the prize list
 - Each member to do some purchasing
 - Ask for donations from
 - Town Board
 - Local businesses
 - Need to be more age and gender specific
- Mrs. Stuart will work on the design for the poster
 - Slightly smaller than previous years
- Date tentatively scheduled for May 11, 2013
- Signs are available for ponds and other 'day of' activities

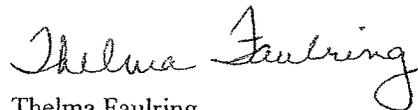
NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business for this evening.

Mr. Buckley asked if there were any further business for this evening.

Being none Mr. Buckley made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Stuart and carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Thelma Faulring
Secretary to the Boards and Committees