

Conservation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes November 17, 2011

Present: Ed Drabek, Sandy Carnevale, Don Gregory, Joe Collins, Lee Rockwood, Doug Nichols, John Mahar, Krog Corp, Mike Bartlett, Hamburg IDA

The October minutes were approved, Don motion & Sandy seconded.

A presentation was given by Mike Bartlett and John Mahar supporting the clearing of approx 60 acres of brush from 145 acres currently under direction of Hamburg IDA located at Lake Shore Rd and on both sides of Bay View Rd. They want to clear brush and post for sale signs because they think that the property will then become more attractive to potential developers. They referenced a similar cleared site on Youngs Road near the airport. Lee Rockwood volunteered to view it. Members of the CAB agreed to meet and walk and view the site on November 19 at 1:00.

Doug reported on a memo expressing financial concern of buildings and grounds department regarding the cutting and taking down trees on donation of approx 68 acres of land at Yoviene development. Doug reported that there are no large trees at that location. A legal release was suggested and the concept will be pursued to ease the town acceptance of desired open space donations.

Conservation easements were discussed. Joe Collins stated that he would look into some sort of legal release on donated land and conservation easements.

Doug reported on the recent NYSDEC acquisition of 78 acres of Hampton Brook Woods. Possible grant funding, planning, parking and future concepts were discussed.

Joe Collins brought up the pond and site for the Duke Spittler memorial and he volunteered to research previous town resolutions honoring Duke.

Don and Sandy volunteered to do the SEQR on Longs Floor Care.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

The Christmas Dinner Meeting will be held at Romanello's South located at 5793 South Park Avenue in the Town of Hamburg on Thursday, December 15, 2011. Reservations are set for 6:00 pm; live entertainment begins at 7:00. Each party will be responsible for their own invoice. Please call Melanie at 716-380-8594 to RSVP. Hope everyone has a safe and healthy holiday season and prosperous New Year!