

CONSERVATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

October 11, 2017

PRESENT: Scott Johnson Chairman
Don Buckley
Nick Huson
Sharon Stuart

ABSENT: Renee' Siepierski

ALSO Jason Keding Councilman – Town Board Liaison
PRESENT: Thelma Faulring Secretary to the Boards and Committees
Mike Cartechine Town Board Candidate
Jennifer Lucachik Town Board Candidate
Vince Mangino Prospective member

Mr. Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

MINUTES

Mr. Johnson: Are there any additions or corrections to the CAC minutes of August 9, 2017.

Mr. Buckley: In the paragraph regarding clean-up at the ponds for the Boy Scouts will help as Community Hours, we have to do Community Hours for the Town, not towards a Boy Scout Badge.

Mr. Huson: With that correction I will make a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Mrs. Stuart and carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Secretary Faulring reported:

- August edition of the 'Conservationist' was received and sent to the Boston Free Library.
- Secretary Faulring said that a second bill from the Springville Journal had been received; for the delivery of memberships flyers to Town residents

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Keding reported a balance of \$2,281.33, expenses so far total \$318.67 and that does show a payment to the Springville Journal of \$56.10 with a payment date of September 6, 2017

ERIE COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

No report at this time.

LIAISON – COUNCILMAN KEDING

Councilman Keding reported:

- North Towns Solids Waste program is having financial issues
 - The NEST group is looking at assisting them with one of their clean-ups
 - Also the possibility of merging the two groups
 - Expense to Erie County
 - NEST is doing fine financially and otherwise
- Electronic Drop-off
 - Sponsored by Senator Gallivan
 - November 4 from 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM
 - Erie BOCES on Harlem Road in West Seneca
 - TV's, computers, refrigerators and freezers anything with Freon must be drained of Freon at the customer's expense before being recycled
- Looking to plan an event for tire recycling
- Looking to take a trip to Rochester to look at their ECO-Dome
 - Different times set for different products
 - Partially funded by Monroe County

Mr. Johnson: Before we go any farther, would you introduce yourself?

Vince Mangino: I live up on Eckhardt; just thought I'd come see what the Conservation is all about.

Mr. Johnson: Are you interested in joining?

Mr. Mangino: Depends on when you meet; right now it's the same as EMS Meeting.

Mr. Johnson: It's typically Wednesday nights but we can be flexible, we've talked about changing nights. We meet once a month, we usually take a summer break.

Councilman Keding: The Conservation Advisory Council can impact the community in a much more positive way than what we're doing now. Technically the way it's written we can do environmental impact studies, we can do other things from that perspective, so the Planning Board could reach out the CAC, if we have enough people, and say 'study those wetlands, can you look at environmental factors...'

Mr. Mangino: My background is an Environmental Consultant; I was a consultant for three years, a biologist, a wetland scientist.

Mrs. Lucachik introduced herself and informed the members that she is a candidate for Town Councilman. Also stated that the CAC can be utilized much more extensively.

OLD BUSINESS

Councilman Keding: The Town Board has asked about the status of the lower pond renovation project:

- Bids have been requested for pricing on clean-up
- Currently is on the back burner, because of the expense
- Weed eater service could be considered

Windmill

- Aeration
- 20 foot high
- Would need to be fenced

Lengthy discussion followed regarding questions that would have to be answered once a decision is made to have or not to have.

Mr. Huson: I will make a motion to table discussion, do more research, consider at an air pump, an electric air pump.

Mr. Johnson: I will second.

All were in favor of the motion.

Adopt-A-Highway

- Have met obligation
- More signs have been ordered for the northbound lanes

L.E.A.F. Local Environmental Awareness Fair

- Need to get started
- Brainstorming at the next meeting getting names of Local Vendors for:
 - Maple syrup
 - Bees
 - Hawk's Creek
 - Local Hawk rehabilitator Tim O'Day on Keller Road, Campbell Environmental Center

Discussion followed regarding the windmill.

Mr. Huson: I make a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Johnson: Second

All were in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Thelma Faulring
Secretary to the Boards and Committees