

CONSERVATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

March 7th, 2022

Mitch Tucker Chairman

Sharon Stuart Caitlin Tucker Pamela Zylinski Councilmembers

Kelly Martin
Town Board Liaison

To: Conservation Advisory Council
Councilwoman Kelly Martin
Supervisor Jason Keding
Town Clerk Quinlan
Town Board members
Highway Superintendent Telaak
Code Enforcement Officer Murphy
Town Attorney Costello

Agenda for Tuesday, March 7, 2022 - 7:00 PM

- 1) Call meeting to order Mitch
- 2) Approve: Draft minutes from February meeting Mitch
- 3) Liaison from Town Board Councilwoman Martin
- 4) Financial Report Sharon
- 5) Snow-Shoe event Caitlin
- 6) Correspondence Mitch
 - a, CSC
 - b. Fish Stocking access letter
 - c. WNY PRISM invasive species survey
- 7) Climate Smart Communities (CSC) Mitch
- 8) LEAF Event Mitch
- 9) New Business
 - a. Comments from the floor
- 10) Adjournment by Motion

Notes: Next Meeting: 7:00 PM Tuesday, April 11th, 2023

Town Hall (716) 941-6113 Fax (716) 941-6116

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Town Court (716) 941-6115 Fax (716) 941-5169

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CAC meeting minutes – draft 02.07.2023

Attendees: Mitch Tucker, Caitlin Tucker, Pamela Zylinski, Sharon Stuart

Absent: Councilwoman Kelly Martin

1. Call Meeting to Order by Mr. Tucker Meeting to order at: 734pm

Approval of minutes
 Draft minutes from December - tabled
 Draft minutes from November - tabled
 No meeting in January

3. Liaison from Town Board – Councilwoman Kelly Martin Not present

4. Financial Report - Ms. Stuart

Emailed Ellie about any financials. No response at this time.

Mr. Tucker talked about invoice for prizes for the fishing derby were put in at the end of 2022. The invoice was submitted in 2023. Some will be part of 2023. Mr. Tucker advised that the budget was approved. Mr. Tucker to request financial statements be sent to Ms. Stuart. Ms. Zylinski asked if the invoices were done for the snow-shoes. RESPONSE: no

5. Climate Smart Communities (CSC) - Mr. Tucker

Mr. Tucker relayed: Officially approved – unanimous from the Town Board.

Ms. Zylinski and Mr. Tucker are official members and do some social media push. Mr. Tucker can finish the application on the website. Other communities have put in paperwork.

6. Snow-Show event – Ms. Tucker - 02/18/2023 (2/25/23?)

Ms. Tucker talked about the weather is not looking good for 2/18. The following week looks better. Further discussion by the Board Members.

Motion for budget of \$250 for snow-shoes made by Ms. Tucker. 2nd by: Ms. Zylinski. APPROVED.

Motion for budget of \$150 for food and beverage made by Mr. Tucker. 2nd by Ms. Tucker. APPROVED.

Event scheduled to run from 10am to 2pm. Set up at 9am.

Advertisement – flyers to be posted around the Town of Boston

7. Correspondence – Mr. Tucker

a. CSC - This was discussed under item #5 above

b. EC EMC Awards

Mr. Tucker advised that they are coming and that they are coming due March 6, 2023. Would one or more application be submitted or get behind one topic? RESPONSE: Choose one category/topic for the application.

Ms. Tucker taking the lead to start draft to be reviewed by all Board Members.

c. Phone Call - Gary Huber - Guest Speaker

Gary Huber used to sit on the CAC board in the past. Talked about Eighteen Mile Creek. Introduced stock fish idea to Lisa Rood but got resistance from one resident about fisherman. The town had to see if the water could hold fish and got approved by DEC. Will stock the fish in the last week of March. In November, there was an issue from DEC about how you must have landowner permission. DEC sent out vouchers/survey to the landowners, across all of NY. Question — any issues in Town of Boston? Mr. Huber put out calls to Mr. Clancy and Mr. Scott Cornett and received a call back. Waiting on one resident. Local DEC worked to get Town of Boston more time to resolve.

Mr. Huber relayed that CAC needs to promote stocking the creek more. Mr. Huber will assist and needs support. Ms. Tucker asked if signage would be a good idea. What does it take to get signage? Mr. Huber says DEC will supply some signs.

Mr. Tucker confirmed that the creek will be stocked this year.

Mr. Huber will reach out to Mr. Teelak to clear access road for the truck bringing in the fish. Further conversation from Board Members and Mr. Huber about fishing rights, signage, etc.

Mr. Huber to provide a copy of the voucher to be reviewed by the Board Members.

8. New Business

- a. Comments from the Floor
- Adjournment by Motion
 Motion to adjourn made by Ms. Zylinski at 904pm
 2nd by Ms. Stuart
 APPROVED

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 7, 2023

TOWN OF BOSTON





TOWN OF BOSTON – RESOLUTION NO. 2022-54

CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES PLEDGE

WHEREAS, the New York State Climate Smart Communities ("CSC") program was created to provide local governments with guidance on how to improve environmental stewardship, save taxpayer dollars, and advance community goals for long term community health, safety, economic vitality, resiliency, and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the State makes available grant funding for projects to increase natural resiliency to future risks like floods, improve emergency preparedness and response systems, and increase the resiliency of critical infrastructure through the Climate Smart Communities Grant program; and

WHEREAS, Climate Smart Communities receive an advantage over non-participating communities during the Climate Smart Grant scoring process; and

WHEREAS, CSC certification requires adopting a non-binding Resolution which includes the specific ten-point pledge developed by the State, and appointment of a Climate Smart Coordinator; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Boston believes it in the best interests of the Town to become a Certified Climate Smart Community and to adopt the CSC pledge; and

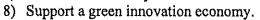
WHEREAS, adopting the CSC pledge does not obligate or bind the Town to take any specific action and participation in the CSC program is voluntary and without cost to the Town;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Boston, adopts the New York State Climate Smart Communities pledge, which comprises the following ten elements:

- 1) Build a climate-smart community.
- 2) Inventory emissions, set goals, and plan for climate action.
- 3) Decrease energy use.
- 4) Shift to clean, renewable energy.
- 5) Use climate-smart materials management.
- 6) Implement climate-smart land use.

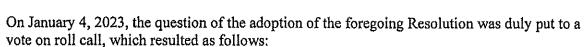
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7) Enhance community resilience to climate change.



9) Inform and inspire the public.

10) Engage in an evolving process of climate action.



	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Councilmember Cartechine	[X]	[]	[]	[]
Councilmember Lucachik	[X]		[]	[]
Councilmember Martin	[X]	ĺ		[]
Councilmember Selby	[X]	1 1		[]
Supervisor Keding	[X]			[]

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NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

Division of Fish and Wildlife, Bureau of Fisheries 625 Broadway, 5th Floor, Albany, NY 12233-4753 P: (518) 402-8890 | F: (518) 402-8925 www.dec.ny.gov

Dear Landowner,

You are receiving this letter because your property includes a section of trout stream stocked by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). Historically DEC has stocked streams on private lands that were not posted or where landowners were willing to allow fishing access, to provide trout stream fishing opportunities. In an effort to verify angler access on stocked streams and to properly manage our trout stream resources, DEC is asking landowners like you if anglers may fish for trout from the stream banks on your property.

To assist us in this effort, we ask that you please take a few moments to answer the questions below. Please return your responses in the included self-addressed, postage-paid envelope, or email us at <a href="https://www.ewent.com/www.ewen

- · interested in allowing anglers to access the stream on your property for fishing,
- not interested in allowing angler access, or
- · already have "Fishing Permitted" signs on your property

If you indicate an interest in providing angler access, Fisheries staff from your area will contact you to discuss the various options available. We look forward to the opportunity to discuss those options with you.

Please note that landowners with more than one tax parcel along a stream may receive letters for each parcel and we very respectfully ask that you respond to all of them.

Thank you in advance for considering partnering with DEC, so we can continue to provide public access to quality trout stream fishing opportunities. The cooperation of landowners who allow anglers to access their streams is a big reason why New Yorkers can boast about the excellent trout fishing opportunities available throughout the state.

Sincerely,

Stephen S. Hurst Chief, Bureau of Fisheries

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Management Workshops - We want to hear from you!
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Partners,
WNY PRISM is starting to plan our annual Terrestrial and Aquatic Invasive Species Management Workshops and we would like to hear from you! What invasive species (or topics) are of the most interest to you? In other words, which invasive species do you want to learn how to manage?
Please provide your answers via our survey form https://forms.gle/FM16Pk3KnXa9wep56 by Friday, February 24!
Thank you!
Andrea Locke Coordinator, WNY PRISM Great Lakes Center, SAMC 319 SUNY Buffalo State 1300 Elmwood Avenue Buffalo, NY 14222 (office) 716.878.4708 (direct) 716.878.0342 lockeas@buffalostate.edu www.wnyprism.org Pronouns: she/her
The Western New York Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management (WNY PRISM) was formed to combat the spread of both aquatic and terrestrial invasive species and mitigate associated threats by providing region-wide coordination for invasive species monitoring and management. Our mission is to proactively identify, evaluate and address invasive species priorities in western New York using a coordinated partnership of local professionals, organizations and private citizens to improve, restore and protect aquatic and terrestrial resources. Reply