

Town of Monroe Conservation Commission

Monroe, New York

August 20, 2020

The Town of Monroe Conservation Commission met for a scheduled "Zoom" meeting on Thursday, August 20, 2020 at 8:00pm.

ZOOM MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 8:07 P.M.

Attendance: Ward Brower III, Joe Corona, Charles Pakula, Sandra Dunlap (not in attendance and Nina Petito/ Secretary

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

- * We have a quorum and the meeting was convened at 8:13 P.M.
- * The Town of Monroe Conservation Commission has two vacancies.

CONSERVATION BUSINESS

- * The minutes of July were approved. Charles Pakula motioned to approve the minutes and Joe Corona seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
- * On August 31 at the Monroe Town Hall, the Town will host a public hearing to a change to Monroe Town Code concerning rental properties.
- * The Monroe Town Hall is hosting "Compo Alliance Live-Video Conference Safety Training via zoom" Titled: Workplace Violence; Right-to-Know Chemical Safety; and Blood-Borne Pathogens the following dates are available for viewing:
 - 9/1/2020 from 10am to noon
 - 9/10/2020 from 10am to noon
 - 9/16/2020 evening hours
 - 9/17/2020 from 10am to noon
 - 10/1/2020 from 1pm to 3pm
- * Dial-a-Bus will resume on September 12, 2020

NEW BUSINESS

- * The Commission has been asked by the Planning Board to walk the Raywood Drive property so the following can be addressed: flag the trees which should be saved from removal due to construction.
- * Mandatory Safety seminar Training needs to be completed by commission members.

- * Jennifer Schnaars (Supervisor's Secretary) has provided the Conservation Commission with a lockable file cabinet to store all equipment need for the Commission to perform its duties.
- * Sandra Dunlap needs the Conservation Commission website password and also the Moodna Basin Watershed Inter-Municipal Council website. Sandra Dunlap also requires a new laptop. This laptop shall be purchased from Commission funds with the help of Bonnie Frankel. This will also help with watershed info

OLD BUSINESS

- * Ward Brower III and Joe Corona attended the quarterly Moodna Creek Watershed Intermunicipal Council meeting on July 30, 2020.
 - A) The South Blooming Grove kiosk has been completed.
 - B) The next kiosk to be constructed for Rock Tavern.
 - C) The 10th Anniversary celebration for Moodna Creek Council is being planned for Sept/Oct. They are considering the pavilion at Black Rock as the location for the festivities.
 - D) The committee is looking to increase public recreational access. Under consideration is the development of a map highlighting key access points for Moodna tributaries.
 - E) No update on the Walton Lake Protection efforts, due to key personal has been unavailable. Andy Lawrence of Monroe to follow up with Kelly Morris (Vice Chairperson).
 - F) Simon Gruber provided an update to the Brown's Pond Dam Removal project. The dam is of concern (also known as the Burnside Dam) is located in Hamptonburg which is dangerously unstable thereby affecting fish and water quality. This project will take a number of years to resolve.
 - 1) The council is looking to develop educational webinars to inform the public of its projects.
 - G) The next Moodna Creek Council meeting is scheduled for October 30th.

Charles Pakula motioned to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Ward Brower III and all voted in favor. There upon, Joe Corona adjourned the meeting at 8:37pm.

Nina Petito, Secretary

Next Zoom meeting on Thursday, September 17, 2020.