

TOWN of ELMA CONSERVATION BOARD
1600 Bowen Road Elma, NY 14059

MINUTES OF MEETING – January 28, 2014

The Regular Meeting of the Town of Elma Conservation Board, hereinafter referred to as the ECB, was held on Tuesday, January 28, 2014 at 7:05 PM in the Conference Room at the Elma Town Hall, 1600 Bowen Road, Elma, NY

PRESENT:

Chairman Bryant Zilke
Member Kenneth Schroeder
Member William Jackson
Member Raymond Boy
Member Eric Weaver
Member Michael Sobczak
Member Laurence Daley
Recording Secretary Kerry Galuski

I APPROVE MINUTES

Motion was made by Ray Boy to approve the minutes of December 17, 2013, motion seconded by Mike Sobczak. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

II UPDATE ON LAND INVENTORY PROJECT

Review Elma Parcel Maps

Kerry provided an update regarding the GIS grant and a GIS training class. Kerry will send everyone a copy of the GIS class outline and see if anyone would like to attend. Kerry informed the ECB that, as of right now, there is no going forward with neither purchasing the conference room's audio and visual equipment nor the option of upgrading the projector to high definition.

III PROPOSED CONSERVATION EASEMENT LEGISLATION

Review of Application Status

The ECB discussed how everyone thought the Town Board work session went that was scheduled for January 15, 2014 regarding the guidelines for the easement program. Councilman Nolan and Fallon were very much in support of the program and would like to review the applications that have been received to date. There should be a meeting scheduled for all the Town Board members to attend to preview the easement application's that have been received to make sure everyone has the opportunity to review and that there is no missing paperwork. Kerry is going to send an email out to see what dates might work best so we have a good turn out. Bryant spoke with the Soil and Water Dept about flood plains and being able to have development in that area and putting the property in the easement program. The ECB is still seeking clarification in determining how much the Town is willing to pay for a new search and survey for a property that is being put in the easement program for a perpetual time frame.

Bill Jackson went over the Metzger file that he and Eric visited at the end of December. While the property lends itself to an easement, there are several issues to address: (1) a shed that is in a state of disrepair, (2) scrap materials to remove, and (3) a back stop that was put on the property. The front of the property is kept up and has the possibility of two "buildable" lots.

IV HISTORICAL PRESERVATION

Ray is still waiting to hear from Supervisor Powers regarding the historical preservation initiative. Ray also gave the ECB an update regarding the status of the multiple dwelling committee. There is an extension being requested for the moratorium for another six months.

V ADJOURN

Motion made by Ray Boy and seconded by Larry Daley to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 PM. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kerry Galuski,
ECB Recording Secretary