Town of New Paltz Clean Water and Open Space Protection Commission (CWOSP) Approved Minutes, Meeting of June 14, 2017, at the Community Center

Members Present: Brad Barclay, Kevin Borden, Lynn Bowdery, John Gotto, Dennis Moore, and Tom Weiner

Town Officials: None. Town Board Liaison Marty Irwin was unable to attend due to the joint Town/Village board meeting which required his presence. This conflict occurs every other month.

Public present: No one

Minutes taken by: Lynn Bowdery, CWOSP Commission member and Secretary

1. Meeting called to order at: 7:10 PM by Chairman Dennis Moore

2. Public comments: None

3. Review, amend & approve minutes: After a brief discussion, John Gotto moved that the May 10, 2017 minutes be approved as amended. Brad Barclay seconded the motion. All present voted in favor, except for Tom Weiner who had not been on the CWOSP Commission at that time.

Dennis Moore informed the Board that Marion DuBois had resigned from the CWOSP Commission, and he made a motion that we accept her resignation with regret, and wish her all the best, adding that if she should ever wish to rejoin the Board she would be welcome. John Gotto seconded the motion. All present voted in favor. Kevin Borden suggested asking the Town Board to add a letter thanking her for her long service to the Town in many capacities.

4. Taliaferro application: Pete is still trying to get a second house on the lot, going before the ZBA. CWOSP Commission's letter of support still on hold. Equity Trust has dropped out of the mix but the new appraisal is still to be used, and the cost of purchase of a conservation easement to be split three ways, still depending on the resolution by the ZBA.

5. Mill Brook Preserve update: The Village Board did approve of the idea of the conservation easement, but there is still a matter of the language on a few points. The Town and MBP, Inc. are still negotiating the Memorandum of Agreement. Matt Decker, a person Jim DeLaune recommended, will be making the accurate map that is required- another sticking point-- for the Recreation Plan.

6. Public outreach for land preservation: Superintendent Neil Bettez went to the Town Board and got confirmation of its intent to honor the public's will in using the Open Space Bond. It is now all right to issue a press release. Dennis accepted John's improvements to the wording. New York State Ag. and Markets will be accepting applications for purchase of development grants, which gives CWOSP Comm. the possibility to combine funding for suitable projects.

7. Other business: Dennis Moore proposed suspending CWOSP Comm. meetings for July and August. Brad Barclay moved that, having no pressing business in July and August, we will forego meetings unless necessary. Lynn Bowdery seconded the motion. All present voted in favor. Dennis will notify the members.

8. New Business: The spelling of new member Tom Weiner's name was corrected.

9. Adjournment: Tom Weiner moved that the meeting be adjourned. Dennis Moore seconded, all voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:42PM.