

Town of New Paltz
Clean Water and Open Space Protection Commission (CWOSP)
Final Minutes, Meeting of February 12 2014, at Town Hall

Members Present: Jim Delaune, Marty Irwin, Tom O'Dowd, Brad Barclay, Doug McBride, Seth McKee, Marion Dubois

Public present: Dennis Moore

Meeting called to order at 7:10 by Chairman Jim DeLaune

Public Comments: none

Review and Approve Minutes: The December 2013 minutes were read. A motion was made by Brad and seconded by Tom to remove the Commission Year End Report section. It will be amended as such in the final draft.

Financial Disclosure Forms: were distributed. Those who have not completed their will do so. Marion and Dennis already have.

Budgets 2013 & 2014 Update: CWOSP still has \$1500 for the year with no allocations at present. There is still about \$1 million left with which to buy public space.

Requisition Payments:

WVLT: all submitted invoices have been paid out of the 2013 budget for work done in 2013

Valuation Consultants: are in the process of being paid out of the 2013 budget

Assembling all historic meeting minutes: Marty has a number of old minutes stored, which he will go through.

Information Session Regarding the Value of Open Space: It was decided that such an information session would focus on the economic benefits of open space near property. Both Walkway Over the Hudson and Warwick could be used as an example of the fiscal/environmental benefits of open space. Matt Teter (not sure of his last name) could be contacted as a source. Seth suggested bringing in experts from outside of New Paltz. Ed Goodell from Trails was referenced as a possible speaker. This session could be advertised on the website, the CWOSP facebook page, and in the New Paltz Times. Cara was not present and no decisions have been made.

Review and Approve Invoices: Tabled until next month

New Business: Hudsonia is offering a 6-month biodiversity training for towns from April to October. A discussion/meeting with Susan Zimet is planned

Possible Land Acquisition: At 8:07 Tom moved to enter into Executive session and was seconded by Seth to discuss possible land acquisition. Seth moved to leave Executive session at 8: 34 and was seconded by Jim.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made at 8: 35 by Marion, seconded by Brad.