**Town of New Paltz Environmental Conservation Board**

**July 8, 2020, 7:30pm**

This meeting will be held via teleconference and streamed live at: <https://youtu.be/N79RAVaIxpM>

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**Agenda**

Meeting Started at approximately 7:30pm.

**Participants:**

Attendees (all by Zoom): Ingrid Haeckel, Amanda Gotto, Rich Whitney, Rose Rudnitski, Hope Nitza (arrived after 30 minutes), Susan Stessin-Cohen, Ted Nitza, Kenji Tierney, Jonathan Schwartz

**Public Comment:**  None.

**Approval of Minutes for June 10:** Ingrid presented some updates. Motion to approve by Rose. Rich Seconded. All in favor.

Ingrid noted Hope is now a Member. Janelle has left the Board.

**Planning Board Referrals (Amanda):**

* Bean property included but no filing yet, just conceptual.
* PB Liaison schedule:
  + July 13 (Ted) and
  + July 27 (Susan),
  + Aug. 10 Rose
  + and Aug 24 Rich
* TransHudson:

They want to have the Drive Thrus permitted for their site

They do not want to include second floors

They want to put the trail in the buffer along the Thruway

Other information discussed about the project

More detailed drawings needed for full evaluation

Ingrid to re-circulate previous letters to the EnCB

Rose and Susan volunteer to draft a letter this weekend for upcoming Planning Board meeting

No other action taken

* Homeland Towers:

Project application was discussed

Motion was made by TTN: “EnCB offers no further comment on this project application”

Ingrid seconded

No further discussion

All voted in favor with the exception of Susan who had stepped away

**Discussion Items:**

* Community Preservation update (Ingrid)

Ingrid gave an update on the progress of this initiative.

No action was taken by the board.

* Village EPB update (Ted)

Ted gave an update on the activities with the Village Environmental Policy Board and Village Planning Board items

* Climate Smart update (Janelle)

Ingrid stated that Janelle was not in attendance at the meeting, however she provided a copy of the recent monthly newsletter to the group

* National Resource Inventory update (Amanda)

Amanda gave a brief update on the NRI project

**Announcements:**

Ingrid described: Streams 101 webinar – July 23, 12-1pm

Ingrid described: Headwater Streams webinar series – Aug 3-6, 3-4:30pm daily

**Adjournment:**

TTN moved to end the meeting

Susan seconded

All voted in favor

**Meeting adjourned at 1:43:20**

*Minutes provided by Hope and Ted Nitza*