

## **New Paltz CWOSP Meeting**

Wednesday, April 15, 2009

Meeting Began at: 7:12pm

Town Hall, in Assessor's Office

### **Attendees:**

Marion Dubois, Joan Barker, Dennis Moore, Jim Delaune, Seth McKee, Cara Lee, Lynn Bowdery

### **Agenda**

Public input: None

**Marbletown Open Space Commission.** Cara suggested inviting the Marbletown Open Space Commission and waiting to hear from them.

### **Update on meeting with Town Comprehensive Plan consultants:**

Cara reported that she and Bob Taylor met with Eve Fasberg, consultant working on Town of New Paltz Comprehensive Plan. Bob and Cara stressed the importance of open space protection in New Paltz and their concern that neither representatives of the Wallkill Valley Land Trust or the Open Space Commission participated in the focus group that was conducted. They also stressed the importance of incorporating the NP Open Space Plan in the Comprehensive Plan. Cara invited Eve to attend a CWOSP meeting, and offered to provide any additional information needed. Cara volunteered to follow up with Supervisor Hokanson to see who is on the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee, to assure that Open Space issues are being considered. Seth will follow up with Paul Brown.

### **Palmateer appraisal:**

There was discussion of the Palmateer appraisal. Seth suggested further review and that there could be tax advantage for the owners with a less than full value sale to offset capital gains. It was suggested that OSI might be willing to cost share the project. Seth and Jim Delaune will follow up with Valuation Consultants.

**Gabrielli appraisal:** There was discussion of the appraisal. It was incomplete. Seth will contact Bob to finalize the appraisal. Jim Delaune will be contacting the new assessor Lorry King to inquire what the Tax Default Properties are.

**Update on Website improvements**

Dennis agreed to update the Town website with new information from CWOSP, specifically to add the application and scoring system. It was suggested that some lovely pictures taken by Joan Barker be included in the website to attract web viewership. Cara mentioned to have the Neil Larsen report uploaded to the website.

**Model conservation easement for cluster subdivisions**

Lynn Bowdery mentioned the Land Trust needs to work closely with the Town Board. The Cluster Plan Law needs to be revised. Seth recommended having all members review the attachment that was emailed to all members.

-Motion to approve the MARCH minutes approved.

Meeting Adjourned at 9 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Marina Kokkinias