

Town of New Paltz
Clean Water and Open Space Protection Commission (CWOSP)
Approved Minutes, Meeting of October 7, 2014, at the Community Center

Members Present: Brad Barclay, Lynn Bowdery, Marion DuBois, Richard Fiesel, Marty Irwin, Cara Lee, Seth McKee; Susan Zimet, Town Board Liaison

Town Officials: Susan Zimet, Supervisor and Town Board Liaison

Public present: No one

Minutes taken by: Lynn Bowdery, CWOSP Commission member

1. Meeting called to order at: 7:15 PM by Interim Chairman Marty Irwin

2. Public Comments: None

3. Review & Approve Minutes - August 2014 Meeting: Marty Irwin moved to accept the August minutes as corrected. Dennis Marion seconded the Motion. All present voted in favor.

4. Possible Land Acquisition:

Motion: At 7:17 PM, Marty Irwin moved that the Commission go into executive session. Susan Zimet was invited to attend. **The complete resolution is attached below.** The motion was seconded by Richard Fiesel. All present voted in favor.

Motion: At 8:28 Seth McKee moved that the executive session be closed. Brad Barclay seconded the motion. All present voted in favor. The executive session was closed at 8:28 PM.

5. Mill Brook Preserve: Seth McKee asked what was next to be done on the Mill Brook Preserve. The Town Board has accepted the Plan. Will they adopt the plan? Seth suggests starting by pricing out the creation of two access points with kiosks, basic simple trail upgrades with review of existing paths, a small bridge over the stream to get an idea how much money is needed to start. Culverts, trail materials and benches were mentioned. Brad Barclay uses benches on the Dutchess County Rail Trail that have been indestructable; he recommends them. Marty asked about the real estate transfer tax-- can it be changed to fund non-capital open space expenses? The thinking here is that it could fund the development and maintenance of a park preserve. In the ensuing discussion it appears that the tax can be approved on a town by town basis-- does not need to be county-wide. The Town of Red Hook got a 1% transfer tax on real estate transactions over the town's median price. Susan Zimet is interested in taking this up with the Town Board, which is wrestling with the budget now.

6. Other Old Business: None

7. New Business: None

8. Adjournment: Brad Barclay moved to adjourn the meeting. Marion DuBios seconded the motion. All present voted in favor. The Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.

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Resolution follows--

RESOLUTION

October 7, 2014

Time @ Vote/Start: 7:17 PM

Time @ Close: 8:28 PM

At a Meeting, duly called for this date,

Be It RESOLVED that the Commission shall go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing several potential lands for the Town to acquire interests in, disclosure of which would affect the values thereof.

Motion made by: Marty Irwin

Seconded by: Richard Fiesel

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Barclay, Brad	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Bowdery, Lynn	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
DuBois, Marion	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Delaune, Jim	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>X</u>
Fiesel, Rich	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Irwin, Marty	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Lee, Cara	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
McBride, Doug	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
McKee, Seth	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Moore, Dennis	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>	<u>X</u>
O'Dowd, Tom	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>X</u>
TOTALS	<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>

The Motion is: **PASSED** ~~**REJECTED**~~