

Town of New Paltz
Community Preservation Fund Advisory Board
Minutes of the meeting of February 23, 2021

Present: Jim Delaune, Mike Domitrovits, Pete Ferrante, John Gotto, Ingrid Haeckel, Cara Lee, John Orfitelli

Neil Bettez, Town Board Liaison

Kathy Preston, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm.

Neil gave a short welcome and introductions were shared.

John Orfitelli led the group through a review of the timeline between referendum and implementation of the Real Estate Transfer tax (RETT), as well as the Community Preservation Plan (CPP) and Community Preservation Fund (CPF) Advisory Board pages on the Town website.

It was agreed that the 4th Tuesday of the month is a good meeting date for all participants. Kathy will research Open Meetings Law regarding executive session requirements and distribute that information.

Cara led the group in a review of the various tasks and workshops before the board.

Mike suggested Mural as a tool for collaborative work and will present that information at a later meeting. Ingrid offered to lead a workshop on using the Natural Resources Inventory (NRI) interactive webmap. Jim offered to lead a workshop on conservation easements. John Orfitelli offered to present information regarding façade easements; Jim offered to help with that as well. Cara will be reaching out to Red Hook and Warwick to get feedback on their experience with the RETT.

There was a discussion regarding the proposal for SBL # 94.2-1-32.112; 10 Eugene L. Brown Drive. There is currently an application before the Planning Board. It was suggested that once the NRI maps are complete, that information would be useful in determining the site's potential.

Cara moved, Ingrid 2nd to adjourn. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Preston, Secretary

Approved by the CPF Advisory Board at the meeting of March 23, 2021