

## DRAFT MINUTES

Town of New Paltz  
Environmental Conservation Board  
September 2, 2015  
Community Center  
7:30 pm

Participants: Jim Littlefoot, Mike Domitrovits, Mike Merriman, Libby Murphy, Laura Deney. Also present is Dan Torres, Town Board member.

Agenda:

Public Comment: None

Review/Approval of August Meeting Minutes: Mike D made a motion to accept the minutes as amended to reflect entrance off of Mountain View Rd not Route 32 for the 320 Route 32 N project. Laura seconded. Motion passed with all in favor.

Dan Torres mentioned that he had brought up the subject of grant writer again at the last Town Board meeting, but there has still been no response.

### Planning Board Projects Status

- 46 Dubois Rd – site plan for subdivision: Property is flagged as state and federal wetlands. Map is unclear and contains conflicting information about pre-existing conditions. Further clarification of variance being requested and of wetlands involved is needed. Request updated map with existing structures and wetland map overlay. Jim will give to Kelly O'Donnell, Planning Board secretary. EnCB comments will be forthcoming.
- 66 Mountain Rest Rd – site plan for subdivision. No comment.

River to Ridge Trail – OSI Site Plan 3.4 mile 10-ft wide gravel and grass trail planned from Wallkill River to Butternut Rd, Pine Rd through fields, for public use. Involves removal of topsoil and four trees. No environmental concern seen; seems like a highly beneficial, low-impact project for the community.

- CVS proposal; Laura's letter: Mike M made a motion, seconded by Libby, to send Laura's letter. All in favor.

### Discussions:

- Flood Plain Law proposed Amendments – review/discussion (Mike M and Libby Z): Tabled until next month.

- New members (Perry's resignation now official) Need to recruit! Dan suggests Climate Action Coalition members.

### New Business

- Norman's Tree – It has been decided to order a red maple from Bloom, which is donating its services. Mike D will get an update on ordering a plaque.
- Mike D: Solar city/central Hudson LED replacements free and very good rate on electric with zero escalation. Town would benefit hugely. No investment, no risk. Good Climate Smart initiative as well.
- Libby will be doing a presentation at Mid Hudson Valley Climate Smart Community Summit, on Fri Sep 28.
- Dan announced there is a Community BBQ at Field of Dreams tomorrow 5-7 pm. Dedicating pavilion to Kyle Brewer, NPHS student who passed away earlier this year.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mike M, and seconded by Jim. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.