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Town of New Paltz Environmental Conservation Board September 4, 2013 Town Hall 7:30 pm

<u>Participants</u>: Norman Turner, John House Wilson, Rhett Weires, Michael Domitrovits, Libby Murphy, Jim Littlefoot

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m.

Agenda:

Public Comment: None

<u>Review/Approval of August Meeting Minutes</u>: Mike made a motion to approve the minutes of last month's meeting. Libby seconded the motion. All in favor with one abstention.

<u>Never-Ending Quest for New Members</u>: Laura Deney is present and is considering becoming a board member. Laura is a film editor who has lived in New Paltz since 2006. There followed an explanation about what EnCB does in its function as an advisory board.

Planning Board Projects Status:

Wilmorite / Park Point: Norman attended the last Planning Board meeting as EnCB liaison. On the agenda was a discussion about Wilmorite. Wilmorite's lawyer was present and objected to Norman's participation, calling it "public comment." He had problems with the remarks EnCB had submitted. Planning Board member Lagusta Yearwood brought up the discrepancy between herbicide use and wildlife protection. Chair Mike Calimano simply said the Planning Board would supervise the use of herbicides. He agreed with some of EnCB's remarks, but not all. There was no further discussion of Wilmorite while Norman was there.

We are still going back and forth with Wilmorite revising the FEIS. The draft we made remarks on is no longer current.

Norman said that we:need to clarify what our relationship is to the Planning Board with regard to having a liaison present at Planning Board meetings. Mike will email Mike Calimaro to ask if he wants clarification on any of our comments.

- <u>6 Morning Star Drive</u> - Area variance for pool referred by ZBA. Unclear why variance is being requested. Initial variance on lot size? No environmental issue seen; there is a wetland on property but it is down the hill and it does not appear that it would be

affected. Mike made a motion to approve the variance. Libby seconded the motion. All in favor with one abstention.

- There is a new referral form from the ZBA for the EnCB to fill out with our comments and return to them. The PB also has a form. Norman wants the form to include the option of saying we have no comments "at this time."

Discussions:

- <u>Ulster County Environmental Management Council Meeting Report</u> (Minutes distributed). Maps are up on the wall in the Town Hall.
- <u>Water Source Development</u>/Impending interruption of City Water Supply on which Village relies. Norman referred to a New Paltz Times article with the mayor's comments on the issue.

New Business: None.

Norman made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Jim. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.