

# Town of New Paltz Environmental Conservation Board Annual Report of Activities 2023

Members: Richard Whitney (Chair), Rose Rudnitski, Kenji Tierney, Ted Nitza, Rob Ferri

Liaisons: Julie Seyfert-Lillis (Town Board), Amanda Gotto (Planning Board – Resigned in February), Lyle Nolan (Planning Board), Lauren McPadden (Planning Board)

#### **Project Reviews**

The EnCB reviewed all submissions by the planning board and provided written comments when warranted. Sent liaisons to bi-monthly Planning Board meetings as needed.

- Ulster County Emergency Response Center
- 1 Mares Trail wetlands report
- New Paltz Apartments EIS
- 51 Horsenden Rd proposed subdivision
- 350 North Ohioville Rd proposed subdivision

The EnCB attended a site visit at Mid-Hudson Sporting Clays

## Chapter 130 – Tree Law

EnCB approved one tree permit in 2023

88 North Putt Road – approved as amended by testimony

## **Environmental Policy**

Presented information to Planning Board regarding the Northeast Conservation Overlay District

## Natural Resource Inventory

Is on the town website and continues to be a valuable resource for the EnCB, and anyone looking to learn more about New Paltz's natural resources.

#### **Additional Activities**

EnCB hired Haley Chamkin as Recording Secretary Maintained GIS software and data on the Town B-fund Laptop Received approval for renewal of a low-cost (\$100) GIS license from ESRI's Conservation Program

#### **Representation on other Committees**

Rob Ferri represents the Town on the Ulster County Environmental Management Council and Ulster County Water Quality Coordinating Committee Ted Nitza Chairs the Village of New Paltz Environmental Policy Board Ted Nitza is part of the Ad Hoc committee for Solar on the town landfill

Annual Report approved at March 18, 2024 meeting

Respectfully Submitted to the Town Board and NYSDEC Commissioner Basil Seggos

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