

Conservation Board Meeting *Minutes*  
Monday, September 28, 2009  
7:00pm

The regular scheduled meeting of the Hamlin Conservation Board was held at Hamlin Beach State Park and was called to order at 7:00 PM by the Chairman Dave Walch with the location of the fire exits explained for those present.

Present: Merritt Ackles, Jason Baxter, Ed Evans, Craig Goodrich, Jeanine Klopp, Nick Kramer, and Dave Walch.

Also present: Town Board Liaison Paul Rath, Building Inspector Lee Nettnin, Planning Board members Tom Jensen and Peter Toney, Park Manager Marty Howden, Monroe County Planning and Development representative Steve Olufsen and resident Nancy Jennejahn.

A motion was made by Craig Goodrich, seconded by Jeanine Klopp to approve the minutes from the August 24, 2009 meeting as recorded. Members polled, all ayes. Motion carried, minutes approved.

**Public Forum Opened**

Steve Olufsen from Monroe County Planning and Development gave a presentation. Steve explained that municipalities send projects to the County for review. The County doesn't have any official authority but they provide advisory comments on the projects. They make recommendations to the Towns only. They forward the projects onto other agencies such as the DEC, DOT and M.C.H.D. if their review is also needed. The Tucker Lane project was mentioned. Steve stated that an assessment review was completed for this project and #3 of the report stated that a DEC permit should be issued. But again this is only a recommendation. The turn around time is about three days to forward the projects onto other agencies. Steve stated that no onsite inspections are done. They gather their information from GIS. Ed Evans stated that the Conservation Board values the County's comments and appreciates the work they do. Nick Kramer stated that they defined moveable structure, which was very helpful to him. Dave Walch thanked Steve for his time and explained that the Board just wanted to understand the procedure and how it works. Planning Board member Tom Jensen stated that the Planning Board appreciated the County's comments on Tucker Lane also. Steve stated that there about 30 people in the department and they also review code changes. The Board thanked Steve for coming to the meeting.

**REPORTS**

Jeanine Klopp gave a report on the September 8, 2009 Planning Board meeting. Jeanine stated that the Tower lot combination was approved. The Kronenberg Subdivision was approved. The Miller lot combination was approved. The Mosley Subdivision received re-signing approval. The Jensen Site Plan received re-signing approval. There was some discussion on the Tucker Lane project. The Planning Board had some concerns. The

Decision was tabled. Tom Jensen explained that this action gives the applicant an opportunity to submit a more suitable Site Plan. Craig Goodrich stated that the Conservation Board gave their concerns to the Planning Board on this project prior to the Preliminary approval. After the Preliminary approval was granted the Conservation Board went to the DEC to back up their concerns. Those concerns were given to the Planning Board as soon as they were received. Some discussion took place regarding the motion made by the Planning Board.

Nick Kramer gave a report on the September 21, 2009 Zoning Board meeting. Nick reported that there was a Public Hearing scheduled for Kevin Noon on Newco Drive for a height variance for a detached garage. There were some concerns regarding the wetlands but the DEC had already approved the location of the garage so it was not an issue.

Nick Kramer gave a report on the September 14, 2009 Town Board meeting. Nick reported that the Library Presentation was very impressive. There are lots of new programs at the library. The security and future use of the ex-Penn Railroad Right-of-Way was discussed. They are looking into a gate or other ways to restrict motor vehicle traffic.

Merritt Ackles gave a report on the September 14, 2009 Fishing Advisory Board meeting. Merritt reported that they reviewed a new design for docks along the Genesee River. They also voted in favor of becoming a member of the Lake Ontario United website. The cost is \$1500.00 the first year. Merritt was also contacted by an individual about opening the gates along the Erie Canal to increase the water level along the Sandy Creek. Merritt looked into it and found out that it can't be done due to water rights being involved.

Craig Goodrich gave a report on the September 16, 2009 EMC meeting. Craig reported that they discussed various topics for the upcoming year. Invasive species, DEC, Hamlin Beach, Local LWRPs, water well sampling, natural gas drilling and the Protection of Lake Ontario were all topics to be discussed.

Ed Evans gave a report on Hamlin Beach State Park. Ed reported that the roads in the Park are being repaired. They are working on upgrading the electric lines. Work is also being done on the playground. Ed gave a wind power presentation at the Park that included a tour of the MET tower. The CCC Camp work is progressing. Ed is asking the Board to write letters to Richard Parker and the Commissioner of Parks regarding the CCC Camp's positive progress. He continues to receive support for the project. A Hamlin POW has been found and he will be giving an interview. Chairperson Dave Walch agreed to write a letter on the Board's behalf.

**ASSIGNMENTS**

Jeanine Klopp	PB	10-5-09
Nick Kramer	ZBA	10-19-09
Nick Kramer	TB	10-13-09 (Tues.)
Merritt Ackles	FAB	10-13-09
Craig Goodrich	EMC	10-21-09
Ed Evans	HBSP	
Jeanine Klopp	ZW	

**DISCUSSION**

Merritt Ackles mentioned that he attended a meeting at the Brockport College. He passed around information on Oak Orchard Watershed and Lake Ontario data from the meeting.

Merritt also discussed an article from the newspaper titled Schumer promotes Great Lakes initiative. He stated that the article only mentions Parma and not Hamlin.

Building Inspector Lee Nettin mentioned that the Dakota Grill was recently sited for allegedly dumping sewage into the Brockport Creek that runs under Hamlin Parma T.L. Road.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Craig Goodrich, seconded by Merritt Ackles to adjourn this portion of tonight’s meeting. Members polled, all ayes. Motion carried.

**HAMLIN WATERFRONT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Meeting called to order.

Present: Merritt Ackles, Jason Baxter, Ed Evans, Craig Goodrich, Jeanine Klopp, Nick Kramer and Dave Walch.

**REFERRALS**

44 Country Creek- for a 10’ x 16’ shed in the Conservation Buffer Zone. Merritt stated that a 40’ buffer runs along the rear of the property per the code. Therefore he couldn’t approve the shed in the buffer zone. The owner agreed to the second location that they had staked out just outside of the buffer zone.

**DISCUSSION**

Merritt Ackles mentioned that the cost of hunting and fishing licenses increases Oct. 1. He passed around a newspaper article on Bird Deaths Soar at Wind Farms. He also gave an article on Waste Not Want Not to Jeanine for the newsletter article. He passed around brochures on invasive species and ground cover to prevent weeds.

Chairperson Dave Walch mentioned that the Intercoastal Clean up was September 19. There were over 160 volunteers at the Park this year. They don't have any reports back yet but it seemed like there was less litter collected this year.

Jeanine Klopp questioned feedback from the Town Board regarding the Conservation Board's review of all projects. Dave stated that he thought they had mentioned it at the Town Board meeting a couple of months ago. Nick will follow up at the next Town Board meeting.

Merritt mentioned that there is a meeting Wednesday this week at 10:00am on the sewer project. The report is completed.

Nancy Jennejahn stated that she thought that sewers along the lake were part of the I.J.C. Merritt stated that he would check into that.

Chairperson Dave Walch thanked Park Manager Marty Howden for hosting the meeting tonight.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Craig Goodrich, seconded by Merritt Ackles to adjourn tonight's meeting barring no further business. Members polled, all ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes respectively submitted by:

Heather Norman  
Clerk to the Support Boards

**The next scheduled meeting of the Hamlin Conservation Board will be held on Monday, October 26, 2009 at 7:00pm.**