

Brooklyn Conservation Commission

Meeting Minutes

Clifford B. Green Memorial Building

December 8, 2015

Present: Diane Wimmer, Chair; Dana Heilemann; Michael Oatley; Bev Thornton; Jeannine Noel; Harry Adams; and Charlotte Merrill.

The meeting was called to order by D. Wimmer at 7:30 pm.

A Motion to approve the November 2, 2015 meeting minutes was made by H. Adams. Seconded by B. Thornton. No discussion. Unanimously approved.

New Business, Subdivision Reviews: None

New Business, Schedule of the Year meetings to be submitted by December 30 to Town Clerk: A Motion to approve the 2016 meeting schedule as presented was made by J. Noel. Seconded by D. Heilemann. No discussion. Unanimously approved.

Financial Matters, Budget: D. Wimmer stated that she has submitted her bills to the Town and has been reimbursed. The Commission may wish to start thinking about ordering signs. She noted that CACIWC dues were paid in September. The Conservation Commission pays half of the annual dues while Inland Wetlands pay the remainder.

Subcommittee Reports, Event Planning, Family Fun Day: The Commission briefly discussed whether to participate in this event next year. M. Oatley suggested waiting until the Source Water Protection Plan has been completed before making a decision.

A Motion was made by J. Noel to add discussion of Earth Day to the agenda, immediately following discussion of Family Fun Day. Seconded by C. Merrill. No discussion. Unanimously approved.

Subcommittee Reports, Event Planning, Earth Day: The Commission discussed whether to participate in Earth Day next year. This year's event was only attended by Commission members. J. Noel inquired about the possibility of involving the Teen Center. D. Wimmer will speak with Lisa Lindia about this. She requested that M. Oatley determine whether The Last Green Valley grant that the Commission applied for and received this year will be offered in 2016.

Subcommittee Reports, Event Planning, Source Water Subcommittee correspondence: D. Wimmer noted that she had forwarded an e-mail to the Commission members from Marc Cohen of Atlantic States Rural Water and Wastewater Association. It did not make sense for the Source Water Subcommittee to meet this month since Mr. Cohen has not yet finished his report.

Old Business, Davis Park: D. Wimmer stated that she spoke with First Selectman Rick Ives and Bucky about the Commission's concerns regarding the steep eroded hill. It presents a possible danger to park visitors. Selectman Joe Voccio indicated that there may be funds available to do something about this issue. Syl Pauley will examine the area to determine what if anything can be done.

D. Wimmer reported that First Selectman Ives praised the disc golf course.

M. Oatley noted that the tee signs still need to be purchased.

Correspondence: None

Public Comments: None

H. Adams noted that the Commission has yet to act on the October 5, 2015 meeting minutes. A Motion was made by H. Adams to approve the October 5, 2015 meeting minutes. Seconded by C. Merrill. No discussion. Unanimously approved.

A Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by J. Noel. Seconded by D. Heilemann. No discussion. Unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Hopkins
Recording Secretary