

Town of Pendleton
Conservation Board

Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 11, 2018 at 6:00 pm
Town Board Room

I. **Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chairwoman Sara Siracuse.** Members in attendance: Sara Siracuse, Amanda Irons-Rindfleisch, Andrew Harrison and Annmarie Reeb. Arrived 6:08 pm: Victor Lemieux. No public.

II. **Amendments, Additions and Deletions to Agenda - None**

III. **Approve Minutes of September 13, 2018**

Motion A. Reeb; Seconded A. Irons-Rindfleisch; Opposed none; Motion carried.

IV. **Public Input – None.**

V. **Correspondence** – Email on Japanese Knotweed – 10/13/18 from Jim Sobczyk Reviewed. A. Reeb provided additional research on the Japanese Knotweed and S. Siracuse informed that Niagara County has an approved grant – terms and purpose of grant are unknown. Will see if Town Supervisor refers this to the Board for further review.

VI. **Unfinished Business:** Chapter 13 and Board vs. Council – Status
S. Siracuse contacted Liason Todd Ostrowski for guidance on this issue and he referred her to Town Attorney Claude Joerg. Mr. Joerg asked her to attend the Town Board working meeting. She gave a brief overview to the Town Board and provided a packet of information regarding NYS General Municipal Law specific to Conservation Boards and Advisory Councils.

S. Siracuse suggested review of Chapter 13 Code for general changes and gave examples.

There was a discussion by the members and A. Reeb offered an option based on several members' responses. She was asked to draft an email, get feedback, and mail the final to the Town Board and appropriate persons no later than Wednesday, October 17, 2018.

S. Siracuse informed that the Town Budget Hearing would be on 11/5/18 if anyone wanted to attend.

VII. **Current Business**

Community Outreach – Facebook, etc.: This was tabled pending board discussion.

Nine Mile Island – Non-Issue as it was already included in our Open Space Maps.

Open Space Mapping – Reviewed Maps. A. Harrison to email members with an updated AG map.

VIII. **Board Member Discussion** –

S. Siracuse gave a budget update. She also provided information on the two solar projects – Bear Ridge Solar – Pendleton/Cambria location and Borrego Solar – Bear Ridge and Irish in Pendleton.

S. Siracuse mentioned use of Niagara County Internet Mapping website.

IX. **Expectations for Next Meeting** – Review Chapter 13 and mark for any general code changes.
Ex. Staggered terms. Receive new AG Map – via email. A. Reeb to email Town Board as discussed earlier in the meeting.

X. **Adjournment at 8:00 pm**

Motion S. Siracuse; Seconded A. Irons-Rindfleisch; Opposed none; Motion carried.

Prepared by:

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