Town of Pendleton Conservation Advisory Council Meeting Minutes Thursday October 10, 2024

Call to order: 5:35

In attendance: Tobias Fronmuler, Angie Gilbert, Rob Gilbert, and Andrew Harrison

Joining us: Councilperson Wolfgang Buechler

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I.Board member updates

II. Old Business

- 1. Set date for sapling transplants
 - a. Still not finished grade yet, need to wait for spring for post-thaw weathering of rough grade that will yield more success for transplants.
- 2. Divider between Craft Coffee House parking lot and bike path
 - a. Possible application of concrete pylons with thick (HDPE) plastic covering to protect path while allow access
 - i. Suggest to the Highway Department.

III.Correspondence

1. None

IV. New Business

 NYS Public Service Commission holding virtual public statement on 10/10 to solicit input and comments regarding construction and operation of an up to 100-megawatt photovoltaic solar energy generation facility in towns of Cambria and Pendleton. https://penletonny.us/event/26968/

Private entity or public land dealings?

If the town has negotiation abilities to benefit the town with a subset 5MW minigrid, or subroute to Starpoint. Councilperson Buechler was kind enough to offer to bring the thoughts to the board.

2. Beaver dams

Willows or wild dogwoods to potentially uptake some of the additional water, wild hawthorns, possibly even cottonwoods, though less desirable. **Corkscrew willow** wouldn't overshade as much, would be smaller spread, and may not impede evaporation and wind as much. TF has a lovely corkscrew willow he is offering to anyone in the community who might like some cuttings to root.

V. Adjournment

6:07