

CONSERVATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

Monday, December 7, 2015

Ruth Keeler Memorial Library

Members Present: Pam Pooley, Co-Chair
Lori Tripoli, Co-Chair
Janine Selendy
Alan Towers

Member Absent: Nancy Welo

Also Absent: Janice Will, Secretary

Pam Pooley established that a quorum was present and began the meeting. It was decided to review/approve the October and November meeting minutes at the January meeting of the Conservation Advisory Council.

The group agreed to express its appreciation to Janice Will for her efforts on behalf of the CAC.

Re inspecting conservation easements, Lori Tripoli reported that the CAC she had spoken to Building Inspector Bruce Thompson about the pilot inspections the CAC is planning. Bruce had indicated that a good time to conduct inspections is in spring or fall when tends to be less growth. Tripoli said that she would draft a sample letter to property owners for review at the next meeting. More specific plans for conducting the pilot will be developed as we get closer to spring.

Re best management practices for removal of invasive plants from wetlands and other areas, Pam Pooley reported that she was working on a draft document for future presentation to the group.

A report on meetings attended was discussed, and an update on the H2H Initiative was provided.

The group agreed that it would like to prepare a 2015 annual report of its activities. Tripoli said she would prepare a draft report for the next CAC meeting.

Re 2016 activities, the group discussed the possibility of holding a library program in March or April of 2016 possibly in conjunction with other North Salem groups. The group is also planning to participate in the June 2016 library fair as it did last year.

Specific sites were also discussed:

Palaia subdivision: It was noted there may be a site visit in the future.

WP15-05 Zakerin/6 Lakeside Drive: It was determined that CAC action is not needed at this time.

Fuelco/BP: It was noted that this is an ongoing project and that it was addressed in a recent Planning Board meeting.

Salem Golf Club: It was noted that this project may be continuing.

Homeland Towers/cell tower on Bloomer Road: It was noted that CAC action is not needed at this time.

Gizzi property/884-894 Peach Lake Road: It was reported that the CAC had provided comments to the Planning Board following its site visit.

Rylan Realty site visit (former Lakeland Lumber site in Croton Falls): It was noted that this is an ongoing project.

7 Bloomer/Former Piedmont Propertys: It was noted that this is an ongoing project.

Hawley Woods subdivision: It was noted that this was addressed in a recent Planning Board meeting.

Next meeting: It was agreed to hold the next meeting on Monday, January 25, 2016 at the Ruth Keeler Library as Monday, January 18 is a holiday.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Lori Tripoli, Co-Chair