

VILLAGE OF HAMBURG ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES OF MEETING

Wednesday, March 13, 2013; 7PM

Hamburg Village Hall, 100 Main St., Hamburg, NY 14075

Present: **Commission Members:** Chair - Adrienne Punturiero, Tom Collins, Dan Riker, Andy Schrauth
Village Board Liaison: Mark Colmeraurer

Excused: Edwin Drabek, Tim McDonald, Stuart Wheaton

Totes for Trash / Recycling – Invited Guest Marc Shuttleworth, DPW

Discussed feasibility of Village utilizing totes:

- There are advantages and disadvantages to using totes
- Totes come in sizes of 35, 65 & 95 gallons
- NYS DEC has ongoing funding for communities regarding waste reduction, recycling and household hazardous waste programs. Funding is provided on a 50% reimbursement rate for eligible costs.
- Environmental Board should develop policy regarding best strategy for utilizing totes such as:
 - Consider logistics for both business & residential customers
 - What size tote(s)
 - How often pick-up
 - How many totes per residence, apartment complex or business
 - How often pick-up (weekly, bi-weekly, tri-weekly, etc.)
- Village buying new 'packer' which may be retrofitted to accept totes
- **ACTION:** Marc Shuttleworth to check w/ DPW crew to relay how trash / recycling is done now for businesses
- **ACTION:** members to come up with ideas on how to encourage businesses to recycle

No Spring Tree Planting

- Budget not available for tree planting this year (going toward tree survey)
- Notify tree requesters of no planting this year (will plant in spring 2014) – **ACTION:** Tom and Andy to notify residents

Member Bios

- Members need to create their bio for placement on the Village web site – **ACTION:** Andy to develop bio as reference for other members

Next regularly scheduled meeting is April 10, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,



Andrew Schrauth