

VILLAGE OF HAMBURG ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES OF MEETING

Wednesday, February 12, 2014; 7PM

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

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

Absent: Edwin Drabek

Guest: Marc Shuttleworth, DPW

Tree Management Plan

Marc Shuttleworth received feedback on the Urban & Community Forestry grant from a DEC representative and asked the Environmental Commission (EC) to aid in making revisions to the application

- The background on inventory needs to be flushed out
- We commented that the inventory should be updated every 10 or so years
- The application should explain how the Village would manage the inventory database (utilizing I-Tree software and DPW manpower)
- We should expound upon the general guidelines and procedures of our proposed tree management
- ACTION: EC to review USDA Forest Service Guide to creating a Tree Management Plan and use the next two Commission Meetings to pull together the revisions to the Village's grant application

Spring Tree Planting

- Quantity of 15 to 20 trees is manageable for planting by the DPW
- ACTION: EC to compile locations/varieties, placing a white spray paint "X" where trees are desired for DPW's guidance
- Also, EC to consider replacement trees for tree, leaning towards house, in Memorial Park if it is removed (buffer/screening/park enhancement)

Other Items

- Grant for acquiring garbage lifting mechanism planned to be written in future
- Tote Grant covers recycling, but not garbage tote (Village on list to receive grant within 2 yrs)
- Village considering selling water system to Erie County Water Authority (had previously transferred ownership of the sewer system)
- DPW will accept latex paint cans (with paint in them) this spring (to remove them from County's hazardous waste stream); cans that are at least half full to go to Habitat For Humanity
- Mulch from DPW will be available for use at Anna Mae Bacon Bird Sanctuary; potential project dates of April 26th or May 3rd

Next regularly scheduled meeting Wednesday, March 12, 2014

Respectfully submitted,



Andrew Schrauth