

VILLAGE OF HAMBURG ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES OF MEETING

Wednesday, November 14, 2012; 7PM

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

Present: **Commission Members:** Adrienne Punturiero (Chair), Tom Collins, Andy Schrauth, Dan Riker, Mark Colmerauer (Village Board Liaison)

Excused: Edwin Drabek, Tim McDonald, Stuart Wheaton

Guest – Nate Drag – NY Outreach Coordinator with Alliance for the Great Lakes

- Organization's mission is to conserve and restore the world's largest freshwater resource using policy, education and local efforts (www.greatlakes.org)
- Looking for volunteers for their Adopt-a-Beach Program to monitor/document conditions
- Volunteers periodically visit a beach to collect litter, perform tests, etc.
- Interested individuals will be mailed a kit and need to do a 1 hour on-line training session
- His organization also hold events at beaches for clean-up and awareness; over the last 2 years had 20 events in Erie County – 6 at Woodlawn Beach alone

Hamburg Village Parks

- Josh Haieck, Supervisor, Recreation & Parks Dept., wants ideas for parks with respect to the 5 year plan being worked on for the parks
- Tim McDonald left message regarding trash containers in parks need attention – he picks-up trash (from overflowing cans) every other weekend

Regarding Village Web Site

- Members of this commission to send Mary McKee their bio's for posting on the ECC web page
- Adrienne is to revise/update recycling web page to have correct information about recycling

Village Recycling

- Mark Colmerauer will enquire about the Village considering wheeled totes in place of the current recycling bins (and potentiall wheeled totes for garbage containers as well)
- How do we encourage businesses to fully participate in recycling?

Fall 2012 Tree Planting Update

- DPW has bare root trees and will be planting them in the near future

Tree Management Plan

- Received last bid regarding developing a tree management plan (tree survey)
- GIS system would be ideal to manage trees and many other aspects of the Village

Next regularly scheduled meeting is December 12, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,


Andrew Schrauth