

November 10, 2023
Clarence Conservation Advisory Council Minutes

Present: Linda Jenkin Costanzo, Cheryl Cantlon, Peg Walker, Barbara Maisch, Dennis Londos, Bob Geiger, Ron Walkowiak, Chick Biegner, Joel Radder, Steve Diver, Paul Shear

6:55 P.M meeting called to order by Steve

Updates:

- Steve: After January 1st Any correspondence from the committee (thank you notes etc.) will go through the town for proper acknowledgement.
- Clarification needed on when the public can come to the center. Gate is closed at certain times and public has no access.
- Peg: Treasurer report: \$130.13 for remaining year. \$200 used for Buffalo Audubon Society speaker. Remaining money for signs for the Nature Center will be used.
- Steve: Spring tree planting project was successful and will continue next year.
 - Town Code (Chapter 7) needs revision regarding responsibilities of Conservation Committee.
 - Town website will include credit to the Conservation Committee and a description of its accomplishments. List any project needs on it and have public look it over to help with work. (i.e. Education, Wildlife attracting and management, identification, speakers, planting trees, flowers, shrubs etc.).

New Business:

- Paul: Fall planting: 34 trees were planted in Clarence Hollow. Planting area along County Road is planned for next year.
- Barbara: A new logo is being designed for the Conservation Committee.
- Barb and Ron: Working on a tree contest committee; locate and identify types of trees in town.
- Joel: checking on prices for wood for owl boxes at Beeman Creek Park. Spoke with SPCA employee about releasing rehabbed wildlife at Beeman for next year.
- Steve; Family Support Center Headlamp Hike, led by Evan Vahratian, will be moved to January. Wetland study and discussion to be done with Emily Root in December. Trail map needed, at baseball diamond on Thompson Rd. so people can enter woods to Nature Center. Concern about pedestrians crossing Goodrich Road at bike path. More information to come.
- Joel: Need to dredge pond at Main St. Park. It was stocked in past and needs to be dredged for more depth if fish are going to survive. Bob and Paul will look into it.
- Nature Center: Open House will be April 27 and Arbor Day celebrated at that time.

Linda Jenkin Costanzo sent her letter of resignation effective November 10, 2023.

Next meeting: Thursday December 14, 2023, 7 P.M. Kathleen Hallock Rm. Town Place

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM

Submitted by Linda Jenkin Costanzo