

Meeting 17 June 2010 at Greenfield Town Hall was called to order at 7:05 PM.

Attending: Ken Blom (Co-Chair), Jim Bruchac, Nancy Kmen, Vern Utter, Pam Young

Minutes April minutes were filed at Town Hall; May minutes pending.

Contact Reports

Town Board (Vern) Repeated vandalism has been reported at the Middle Grove Town Park. Dick Rowland is requesting patrols by the Sheriff's Dept. The Storm Water Report for 2009 was filed with NYS. Scott Murphy has expressed support for public hearings on National Grid's enlarged transmission line. The meteorologic wind tower was removed several months ago. Apparently too little wind had been registered to pursue the project. The Town Board has approved money to replace the plywood signs at the town parks.

ZBA (Nancy) A variance to raise chickens on undersized property at Braim Rd. was not approved. A request by Mr. Ellsworth for a variance on a 32 sq. ft. sign for a farm stand was tabled after discussion. A gun shop on Locust Grove Rd. was approved. The business will be mostly on-line and there'll be no advertising sign. The Bockes Rd. garage adjacent to wetlands will proceed with a buffer zone of 100 ft. A request for a horse on Granite Lake was withdrawn because the owners have too little acreage.

PB (Sally) reported a large single-family development on Locust Grove Rd. has been on hold for several weeks pending receipt of additional information. Otherwise, no environmental issues have been observed at meetings.

Highway Dept. No report

Zoning Administration No report

Saratoga County Water Quality Committee (Pam) It was reported at the May 13 meeting that Didymosphenia* was detected on rocks. *Didymosphenia "rock snot" is an invasive algae, harmless to humans but capable of coating stream bottoms and limiting native species' access to food. It was first detected in NYS on the Battenkill in 2007. Proliferation can be controlled if sportsmen inspect and clean boats and wading equipment when moving among bodies of water. (Wikipedia, 2010)

Correspondence Jan and Pam sent a letter to Town Board expressing the EC's view that the transmission line expansion should be held to the same environmental criteria as all building projects in the Town of Greenfield.

Old Business

Town Park

Adopt a Roadside (Theresa) Reported that she ordered 100 new orange vests from the same vendor as before. The price (\$291) has gone down since the previous order.

Wind Power (Ken) reported that off-shore wind facilities are nearing approval on Cape Cod and on the Delmarva Peninsula. They would be the first on the east coast of the US.

New Business

Next Meeting July 15, 2010

Meeting Adjourned at 7:55 PM