

TOWN OF SKOWHEGAN
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES
March 7, 2023
6:00 P.M.
Municipal Building, Council Room

PRESENT:

Tristen Hinkle, Chairman
Corey Hinkle
Barry Sites
Larry Taylor
Cynthia Kirk, Recording Secretary

ABSENT: Matt Keister, Corey Johnson

PUBLIC PRESENT: None

QUORUM:

Conservation Commission meeting called to order at 6:00 PM, quorum was present.

1) MINUTES OF THE February 7, 2023 and February 10, 2023 CONSERVATION MEETINGS TO BE APPROVED:

Motion by Barry Sites to approve the February 7, 2023 and February 10, 2023 Conservation Committee minutes as written. Seconded by Corey Hinkle. Motion passed 4-0.

2) NEW BUSINESS:

A) Review 604b grant budget

Tristen reviewed what is happening with the grant process. She also reviewed the budget for the grant as well.

Recording time 07:36

B) Business mixer for Whitten Brook

Tristen explained that this was something that Jenn at Eco Instincts had mentioned to help get the businesses along Madison Avenue involved as well as be able to inform them of the whole project and what they are looking to do along Whitten Brook.

Barry said maybe this is something that could be tied in with the bicentennial. Cindy said that Main Street is in charge of the bicentennial planning. Tristen said they also want to think about targeting the right demographic that may be able to help contribute.

Recording time 18:46

C) Water quality testing

Tristen asked if anybody would like to work on this this year. Barry & Larry said they would be interested in working on this as well as Corey. Tristen said they will just need to get someone from DEP up here to train them on how to take the samples. Barry asked if Madison Water was going to process the samples. Tristen said they were the cheapest in cost to do it but we would need to schedule with them when they plan on bringing the samples to them.

Recording time 25:43

D) Vote on additional \$4000 budget request for grant work.

Tristen said this will give them a buffer to possibly pay for the business mixer as well to help get the businesses along Madison Avenue involved with this project. It would also allow them to continue with the tree planting and anything else that comes up.

Motion by Tristen Hinkle to submit an additional budget request for \$4000.00. Seconded by Barry Sites. Motion passed 4-0.

Recording time 33:49

3) OLD BUSINESS:

None

4) UPCOMING WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES:

None

6) ADDITIONAL MEMBER & STAFF ITEMS:

None

Motion by Tristen Hinkle to adjourn at 6:34 pm. Seconded by Larry Taylor. Motion passed 4-0.
Next meeting scheduled for April 4, 2023

Minutes approved _____, 2023

Chairman
