

TOWN OF GORHAM
CONSERVATION BOARD
MINUTES
December 5, 2018

The Town of Gorham Conservation Board met on December 5, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Gorham Town Hall. Present were;
Conservation Board Chairman, Brett Johnson.
Conservation Board Member Lynn Klotz.
Town Supervisor, Fred Lightfoote.
Town Board Councilmember, Richard Malcolm.
Town Clerk, Darby Perrotte.
Councilmembers Stephen Horrocks, Keith Eddinger and Matt Bay were necessarily absent.

Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

Approval of Minutes - The 10/3/2018 meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

New Business:

Chairman Johnson talked about the Open Space Plan needing analysis and refinement so that it is easier to understand. Revisions to the plan have not been included and therefore it becomes confusing.

Chairman Johnson recommended a special workshop meeting for current Board members to familiarize themselves with the Open Space Plan and Indexing so they can gain a better understanding of how the process is used to rank a property.

Supervisor Lightfoote said he will have the Town Board review the revisions. He will let Chairman Johnson know what the Town Board would like the Conservation Board to do, specifically when a property becomes available for open space preservation or farmland protection.

Supervisor Lightfoote suggested Chairman Johnson and Town Clerk Perrotte work together on updating all the material they have so that it includes the recent revisions.

Supervisor Lightfoote said the most important item the Conservation Board can be working on right now is water quality issues surrounding the Lake.

Since Canandaigua Lake is our source for drinking water it is important to protect it.

Old Business:

Chairman Johnson suggested sending out a survey to residents to see how many might participate in the vermiculture trench if it were to be constructed in Gorham.

Supervisor Lightfoote said we could put it on the Town website and the Town Facebook page.

Chairman Johnson recommended constructing an organic waste container at the Transfer Station to see how many residents would actually participate.

Chairman Johnson suggested holding a workshop meeting just for the Open Space Index so that Board members could become familiar with the scoring process used to rank a property. He will be in touch with Board members to try to set up a special meeting.

The next meeting of the Gorham Conservation Board will be held on Wednesday February 6, 2018 at 7:00pm at the Gorham Town Hall.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:05pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Darby Perrotte