

TOWN OF BRIGHTON CONSERVATION BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
July 7, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. Attending were:

Dennis Adams, Chairperson
Karen Berger, V-Chairperson
Susan Riblett
Mitchell Nellis
George Smith
David Briden
Rick DiStefano, Secretary

1. Public Forum

None

2. Meeting Minutes

Review of the March 10, 2020 meeting minutes. The minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Communications Received

Letter from Mike Guyon, Commissioner of Public Works, dated June 17, 2020 regarding Town tree removals.

4. Presentations

None

5. Project Reviews

7P-NB1-20 130 Metro Park
Presented by Joe Jacobs, EDR

- Consider additional deciduous shade tree plantings in the front yard area.
- Investigate incorporating pervious pavement into the project to help mitigate the loss of green space.

7P-NB2-20 1075 Clover Street

- In general, the Board does not have any major concerns regarding the re-purpose of the existing church building for professional offices. The 2 story addition does not appear to big and maintains a 105 ft. setback from Highland Avenue.
- Proper buffering of the parking lot, especially to the houses on Council Rock Avenue, is important and needs to be thoroughly addressed.

- Any disturbance to the front yard areas should be kept to a minimum. Protecting and maintaining the front yard trees is a priority.
- The Clover Street sidewalk should be improved.
- Green infrastructure techniques should be incorporated.
- Additional landscape plantings throughout the parking lot are needed.
- The Board will have additional comments as plans move forward.

6. EMC Report

Presentation of wetlands in New York State and the need to reclaim lost wetland areas.

7. Staff Report

No report.

8. Green Report

No report.

9. New Business

None

10. Old Business

None

11. Tree Council

The Council received tree evaluation report(s) for:

98 Southern Pkwy	16" Silver maple
200 Thackery Rd	34" Sugar maple
4 Chelmsford Rd (12 Corners Orthodontics & Denistry)	45" unknown
1070 Highland Ave	34" Sugar maple

The Tree Council reviewed the forms and visited the sites. The Council is in agreement with the evaluations and supports the removal of the identified trees, and as recommended agrees replacement trees should be planted at 98 Southern Pkwy, 200 Thackery Road and 4 Chelmsford Road.

With regards to property at 1070 Highland Avenue, the Board questions the planting of a replacement tree in this location due to the slope. Perhaps an alternative location in the general area should be considered.

Next Meeting Date

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:35 PM. The next regular meeting will be 7:00 PM, **AUGUST 11, 2020** .

Respectfully submitted: Rick DiStefano 7/28/2020.