

Conservation Advisory Council | City of Newburgh, New York

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Chuck Thomas, Chairman

Marcel Barrick

Kippy Boyle

Deborah Dresser

Karen Eberle-McCarthy

Gail Fulton

_____vacancy



Conservation Advisory Council Minutes of Meeting August 3, 2017 – 5:30 PM

1. Roll Call

Present: Chuck Thomas, Kippy Boyle, Karen Eberle-McCarthy, Deborah Dresser, Gail Fulton, Marcel Barrick, Omar Balbuena-Palma (Secretary)

Guests: Phil Prinzivalli Urban Forestry Committee Member
Tamsin Hollo, Nadia Tarr, Kevindaryan Lujan, Elizabeth Moran

2. Administration

a. Approval of Minutes from June 1, 2017 and July 6, 2017

The June and July CAC minutes were approved with minor modifications.

Motion by: Karen Eberle-McCarthy

Seconded by: Marcel Barrick

The motion unanimously passed.

b. Monthly Financial Report

Bottom line: \$9,488.00

Remain unencumbered

Boyle will submit an education invoice for \$300

CAC has \$279 left from the TD Grant available to spend.

c. Submit Monthly Volunteer Hours

CAC members will turn in volunteer hours to Boyle.

d. Vacancy on CAC – Status

Barrick will follow up with Alison Filosa regarding CAC membership.

3. Site Plan Reviews

a. Site Plan updates

i) 35-37 Broad Street – (Regal Bag Parking Lot) – No Update

- ii) **640 Broadway – Approved**
- iii) **Steelways & City Easement Agreement – No update**

4. CAC Priority Projects

- a. **LWRP Update -Locally Adopted on 7-10-17** (Thomas)
Thomas and Barrick met with the Hudson Valley Regional Council and discussed how they can help move the project forward.
- b. **Natural Resource Inventory (NRI/Open Space)** (Thomas/ Barrick)
Barrick will calculate the Open Space requirements per person.
- c. **Green infrastructure**
 - i) **Storage solution for GEM?**
Boyle and Thomas will meet with the DPW Superintendent George Garrison at the Urban Farm Fair for the GEM vehicle parking space.
 - ii) **Tree Issues/ Citizen Requests**
 - (1) **Urban Forestry**
 - (a) **On-site Tree Inspections**
Boyle and Prinzivalli will create a Tree list for DPW that shows the CAC recommendation.
 - (2) **High Risk Trees List**
Fred Fetter, Arborist, suggests that the Sycamore tree in Washington Street should have a bump out around it and a historical marker.

Boyle and Barrick will meet with Nadia Tarr for a Sycamore tree public fundraiser
 - iii) **Over-wintered trees – Fall Planting?** (Barrick/Prinzivalli)
Boyle suggesting a Fall tree planting blitz.
Dresser suggested planting a Sycamore tree on Grand Street.
 - iv) **Parks**
Eberle will report back on the Parks Conservancy meeting.
 - v) **Community Education Report – No update**
 - vi) **Climate Smart Community**
 - (1) **Solarize Newburgh Update**
The program has been extended by a few weeks.
- d. **CAC Website Update Status**
No update

5. On-going Natural Resource/Environmental Updates

- a. **Drinking Water**
Elizabeth Moran, Environmental Advocates of New York, said the Department of Health plans to end the blood testing program in August and reconnected the Washington lake reservoir to Newburgh in October.
- b. **Newburgh Water Front Updates**
 - **Waterfront Trail – No update**
 - **South Street Parking; Fishing Pier & First Street Walkway/ Newburgh Landing Restoration**
- c. **Energy-related issues – No update**

6. New Business

7. Calendar of Upcoming events (webinars, training, community events) (5 Minutes)

- **August 12** **Vegan Food Festival (Delano Hitch Park)**
- **August 17** **Contract Arborist Webinar**

RECAP OF ACTION ITEMS FOR AUGUST (Balbuena)

- Boyle will submit the education invoice to the City Comptroller
- Balbuena will submit revised minutes to Thomas then upload the approved revisions to the CAC webpage
- Barrick will follow up with Filosa regarding CAC membership
- Hollo and Boyle will inquire about a college workshop for interested students to help with the NRI
- Barrick will calculate the Open Space requirements per person
- Boyle and Thomas will meet with the DPW Superintendent George Garrison at the Urban Farm Fair for the GEM vehicle parking space
- Boyle and Prinzivalli will create a Tree list for DPW that shows the CAC recommendation
- Boyle and Barrick will meet with Tarr for a for the Sycamore tree public fundraiser
- Eberle will report back on the Parks Conservancy meeting
- Boyle will request update from Elizabeth Garrison
- Thomas will forward Semper Fi information to the CAC members and he will meet with Elizabeth Moran to set up a group program for the community

8. Motion to Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn: Karen Eberle McCarthy

Motion Seconded: Marcel Barrick

Vote: Unanimously Approved

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

**CONSERVATION ADVISORY COUNCIL
PROJECT REVIEWS**

2017 Project Reviews by CAC

1/5	182 Fullerton Ave. (Central Hudson)	4/6	98 Grand Street
2/2	Mill Street Bridge	4/6	123 Montgomery Street
3/2	First Street Streetscape Improvements	5/4	35-37 Broad Street
3/2	1 Park Place	6/1	640 Broadway
4/6	73-85 Grand Street		

2016 Project Reviews by CAC

1/7	198 S. Robinson	4/5	GPI Site Plans for Liberty St.
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2/4	Carpenter Ave.	6/20	Mill Street Partners – Mid Broadway Site
4/7	2 Nicoll Street	7/25	New Windsor Hospitality
9/1	Steelways		

2015 Project Reviews by CAC

First Street Fishing Pier; Comments to Engineering 6/8/15	Habitat Newburgh – Ann St. at Johnston, four units; CAC ltr 9/04/2015
Safe Harbors Park – Broadway at Liberty; comments to PB 8/12/15	Habitat Newburgh – 123 Washington Street – street trees
T/Newburgh Matrix Development in City Watershed – 17K/I-87; CAC Ltr 8/20/15	

2014 Project Reviews by CAC

Shell Gas Station (405 Broadway)	Independent Living
Rt. 300 – Crystal Run	Re-Zoning/LWRP Update
Water Tower replacement	Newburgh Landing/South St./Fishing Pier
Torches	Tyrone Crabb Park Planting List
#5 Scobie Drive	North Montgomery St.

2017 URBAN FORESTRY MONTHLY UPDATE

CITIZEN REQUESTS

From December:

420 Grand – Remediate, don't remove

South Street – High School

Montgomery St. Historical Society – Arborist complaint/Tree Removed

DPW MAINTENANCE

- **Removals**
- **Pruning**
- **Stump-grinding**
- **other**

TREE INVENTORY DATABASE UPDATED

2017 Planning Board Meeting and Application Due by Dates.

Unless otherwise noticed, all meetings are scheduled for the third Tuesday of the month at the Activities Center, 401 Washington Street, Newburgh NY at 7:30 pm.

Applications shall be turned in to the Land Use Boards Secretary located at 83 Broadway, Second Floor. Forms and information can be accessed in the Planning Board page on City of Newburgh website.

<u>Month</u>	<u>Meeting Cutoff Date</u>	<u>Meeting on</u>
January	January 6,	January 17,
February	February 10,	February 21
March	March 10	March 21
April	April 7	April 18
May	May 5	May 16
June	June 9	June 20
July	July 7	July 18
August	August 4	August 15
September	September 8	September 19
October	October 6	October 17
November	November 10	November 21
December	December 8	December 19