

New Lebanon Conservation Advisory Council
Minutes for Meeting March 11, 2024

In attendance: Peg Munves & Bill O'Neill: co-chairs. Steve Powers, Bruce Shenker, Donald Lamonaca members and guest Mary Theresa Julien
New York Rural Water Association

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 PM and the minutes from the February meeting were approved.

Proposed member Lori Krane withdrew joining CAC at this time.

NL was approved for the Waste Water Feasibility Grant 95% (\$50,000+). The Town Board will vote whether to approve the balance.

Update- Regenerate NY Invasive program has been postponed to the fall.

Update on Hazard Mitigation Plan- CSC made a public outreach survey to compile a list of vulnerable properties.

Update- T4T to prune or not to prune? CAC will do a hands on assessment of tree progress.

CAC should be in contact with the Supervisor to be informed of land use easements and proposals in town.

MJ Julien reports on: DWSP2

Provided DEC with implementation strategies. TB approved the Plan in September. This is the current Plan. DWSP2 is a living work expected to be worked on and modified every 3-5 years. DEC wants to know future plans, projects, education, outreach and goals. A timeline is important.

Flooding Prone Areas, Hazard Mitigation Plan- the CAC should document high water marks, properties and commercial entities at risk of chemical spills or contamination. This info is useful for FEMA pre-hazard mitigation grant.

Spill history is available on DEC website.

5 main areas to consider for protecting our water sources:

Designating CEA's

Identify Potential Contaminants

Determine water quality on Rtes. 20 & 22 corridor

Education and Outreach

Climate and Hazard Mitigation

Again, the current work is for a future version of the Plan.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM. The next meeting is April 8, at 6:30PM.

Respectfully submitted by Donald Lamonaca