

Draft WEST SENECA ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, January 26, 2021 at 7:00 PM

Via WebEx – please contact WS Town Clerk Amy Kobler with questions.

CALL TO ORDER –.

I. ATTENDANCE

II. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES

1. Meeting Minutes – November 2019, October 2020 – need approvals
2. Financial Report –
 1. 2020 WSEC Working Budget – \$1500.00
Town Environmental funds:
 - National Fish and Wildlife Federation (NFWF) - \$2,710.76
 - US Fish & Wildlife Service - \$29,000.00
 - National Grid Mitigation Fund - \$61,000.00
3. Correspondence –
4. 2015, 2018, 2019, 2020 Annual Reports –need completion
5. Membership – Town Board Appointments (1/4/21) - MW, EB, LM, RR to 2-year terms, expiring on 12/31/2023
6. BUSINESS - Vote on resolution of lawsuit settlement regarding 945 Center Road Trees to be planted. Location, Number of Trees, Timing, Planting guide

III. WSEC PROJECTS – MEMBER INITIATIVES FOR 2021

1. RR:
 - Creation of W. Seneca Nature and Wildlife Sanctuary – (member vote to approve)
 - Improvements (by NYSDEC) to Canoe/Kayak launch
 - Completion of storm drain marking project
 - Continuation of rain barrel program for residents & Town
 - Improve the Creek Awareness presentation
2. EH:
 - Update Town's Open Space map and install "Posted" signs on same, prohibiting both Trespassing and motorized vehicles from same.
 - Continue to work with National Grid on the installation of the Viewing Platform at the Meyer Road Wetland (NYS DEC site BU-13)
 - Continue to work on the new NFWF Grant for stream bank stabilization and flood control on the Buffalo Creek near the Lexington Green area (near Oxbow Wetland, BU-17).
 - Chair monthly Env. Comm. Meetings and provide assistance to other committees as needed.
3. MW:
 - Provide technical assistance as needed to various projects and committees
 - Tree Ordinance recommendations
 - Follow-up on status of implementation of lawsuit settlement concerning 945 Center Road site.
4. CJ - Provide technical assistance as needed to various projects and sub-committees
5. LM - Provide assistance and support in Community Engagement and healthy living options from and environmental standpoint
6. EB – Provide assistance and support in Educational endeavors of the committee
7. TS:

- Promotion of WS Env Comm initiatives and events via Town Website, Facebook and print
- Continue to work as a liaison to the alternative transportation initiatives in Town, including bike lanes.

8. CG:

- Provide technical assistance as needed re: the new NFWF Grant for stream bank stabilization and flood control on the Buffalo Creek near the Lexington Green area.
- Provide ideas and assistance in securing and implementing various grant opportunities.

IV. TOWN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT INITIATIVES:

1. Request electronic distribution of new projects to WSEC for review/comments from WS Code Enforcement.

V. ISSUES OF THE PUBLIC –

Adjourned –