

Adopted Minutes

TOWN OF CHILI CONSERVATION BOARD

November 6, 2023

Present: Larry Lazenby (Chair), Dick Schickler, Carolyn DeHority, Matt Sinocola, Pat Tindale, Bill Steimer, Mark DeCory (Town Board Liaison).

Absent: Jill Fornarola.

Guests: Daryl Odhner (595 Chestnut Ridge Rd.), Margaret Odhner (595 Chestnut Ridge Rd.), Kathy Sweetman (51 Kuebler Dr.)

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Larry Lazenby.

Approval of Minutes of October 2, 2023.

Motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Pat Tindale and seconded by Bill Steimer.
Passed unanimously.

Liaison Reports:

Town Board:

Mark DeCory reported that the budget vote for 2024 will be held at the November 13 Town Board Meeting. He also commented on the meaningful dedication of the red maple tree and plaque for Ilze Bullwinkle at the Chili Community Center. Larry Lazenby reported that the Town will encase the holder for the plaque in concrete for security purposes.

Monroe County Environmental Management Council:

Larry Lazenby reported that there were discussions about the following topics at the October EMC meeting: town tree planting policies, the responsibilities of various county departments, and the placement of large flower planters at major intersections.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Application of Gizzi Real Estate Holdings LLC., 3850 Buffalo Rd., Rochester, New York 14624 owner; for preliminary site plan approval to construct a 4,050 sq. ft.. Medical office building at the property located at 4415 Buffalo Road (lot 2) in GB District.

Refer to minutes of the September 11, 2023 Conservation Board meeting. This motion was made by Matt Sinocola and seconded by Dick Schickler.

Passed unanimously.

2. Application of Gizzi Real Estate Holdings LLC., 3850 Buffalo Rd., Rochester, New York 14624 owner; for preliminary site plan approval to A.) construct three 2-story residential multiple-family buildings with 20 units. B.) convert existing 2-story medical building

into 12 residential multiple-family units at the property located at 4415 (lot 1) and 4423 Buffalo Road in RM district(s).

Refer to minutes of the September 11, 2023 Conservation Board meeting. This motion was made by Matt Sinocola and seconded by Dick Schickler.

Passed unanimously.

3. Application of King Park 2022, LLC, P.O. Box 170 North Chili, NY 14514; Andrew Viera, P.O. Box 170 North Chili, NY 14514, owner; for a special use permit to allow use of the similar character (warehouse\distribution\office) at the property located at 30 King Road in the LI (Limited Industrial) District.

Refer to minutes of the September 11, 2023 Conservation Board meeting. This motion was made by Matt Sinocola and seconded by Dick Schickler.

Passed unanimously.

4. Application of King Park 2022, LLC, P.O. Box 170 North Chili, NY 14514; Andrew Viera, P.O. Box 170 North Chili, NY 14514, owner; for preliminary site plan approval to construct eight (8) commercial buildings to be leasable contractor storage and/or business at the property located at 30 King Road in the LI (Limited Industrial) District.

Refer to minutes of the September 11, 2023 Conservation Board meeting. This motion was made by Matt Sinocola and seconded by Dick Schickler.

Passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Jill Fornarola would like to remain on the Conservation Board for the next two years, but not continue as secretary due to a conflict with work responsibilities. Matt Sinocola agreed to be the next secretary, starting with our December 2023 meeting. Carolyn DeHority agreed to be a backup to the secretary.

Carolyn DeHority made a motion to nominate Matt Sinocola to be the Conservation Board secretary and Pat Tindale seconded the motion.

Passed unanimously.

2. Bill Steimer handed out an updated Adopt a Project listing. Please read this before our December 4, 2023 Conservation Board meeting when will discuss it.
3. The Town Christmas Party will be on December 22 at noon. Please RSVP to Dawn Forte.
4. Daryl Odhner presented his concerns to the Conservation Board regarding increased tree planting at Davis Park and other town parks. He outlined many reasons for increasing numbers and species of trees in the park including:

- a number of trees have died in the park in the past 10 years due to improper maintenance
- the benefits of increased species diversity
- increasing the beauty of the park,
- increased shade for spectators of sporting events.

Some species that Daryl proposed to increase diversity in the park are: tulip tree, hackberry, service berry, white pine, arborvitae, sugar maple oaks, and perhaps black gum.

Larry Lazenby reported that within the past month he has met with both David Dunning and David Lindsay regarding trees in Chili, and specifically in Davis Park. As a result of those meetings, these actions are recommended:

- Training should be done for town employees responsible for park maintenance so that trees are not injured when mowing and weed whipping
- Training in proper tree planting technique should also be done.
- Implement a new policy to plant 3-6 new trees every year for 3-5 years, starting in Davis Park. If this policy is successful, the plan would be to expand the number of trees planted/year. Larry will take the lead in writing the policy, hopefully with input from Matt Sinocola and Mark DeCory.
- A product to protect tree trunks from maintenance damage will be investigated.

Larry urges cooperation between the community and the Conservation Board in these tree planting efforts. Larry asked Daryl Odhner if he would be willing to be part of the tree species selection process and Daryl said that he would.

5. The Chili Soccer Association recently facilitated the planting of 6 red maples in Davis Park to show appreciation to the town for the upkeep of the soccer fields. These trees are additional to the tree planting proposed in the policy above.

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:23 by Pat Tindale and seconded by Bill Steimer
Passed unanimously.

Our next meeting will be on December 4, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,
 Carolyn DeHority
 November 6, 2023