

Mount Kisco Conservation Advisory Council

Minutes for Regular Meeting – October 5th, 2016

and special work session meeting in October

10/5 Meeting called to order at 2 p.m.

Present:

Robert Liebman (Chairman)

James Gmelin

Harold McCartney

John Rhodes

Peter Grunthal

Ruth Moy

The minutes of the September 14th meeting were approved.

Budget:

Jim Gmelin will check with Ed Brancati regarding the current state of the CAC budget and expenditures charged and remaining budget.

NRI

After discussion of expanded scope for NRI, Peter suggested that Jim Nordgren prepare a revised scope of work proposal to the Town Board. This should include the changes suggested by the CAC and reflect the additional work already initiated—such as GIS mapping and planning

recommendations,. The request should include a brief report of activities already conducted, and propose to increase the total payment for NRI preparation services to \$6,250.

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Strategic Issues

After a discussion of various strategic issues, a consensus was arrived at on the following points:

Ruth will look into the issue of a plastic disposable bag ban in Mount Kisco.

John will follow up on LED lighting for the town.

Jim, John, and possibly others will apply for membership on the town's Tree Preservation Board.

After a discussion of the reasons for the town's inability to win certain grants, Peter said he would talk to Ed to determine the specific reasons for this, and that we would study this info and make recommendations to the Town Board on related priority actions.

Peter suggested that the CAC have a special work meeting to list and organize major priorities, and assign members to head up investigation and efforts in key areas. It was decided to hold a work session on Fri., Oct. 14th at 2 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:30 p.m., and the next regular meeting scheduled for 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov

Addendum regarding meeting later on Oct. 5th with Win Development

After the Oct. meeting adjourned, the CAC held a brief meeting with Insite Engineering, Win Development, and their representatives to discuss their revised development plans for the S. Moger restaurant property. They presented revised plans designed to reduce environmental impact, and explained some of the details. They agree to send the CAC copies of the revised building plan and a new drainage plan (not yet available at that time). We agreed to discuss the revised plans and to get back to them with any questions.

Addendum regarding work session:

At a work session on Fri., Oct. 14th at 2 p.m. the CAC plus Peter Grunthal and Ruth Moy discussed strategic priorities for the Council and arrived at the following preliminary conclusions.

