## **Town of Saugerties**

## **Conservation Advisory Commission**

Meeting minutes for March 21, 2013

Present: B. Sawchuk, J. Barbour, S. Guerin, M. Wrolsen, E. Shafer, G. Marzec, J. Randall, and

C. Tienken; guest – Bob Conklin

Absent: L. Thornton

Convened: 7:00 pm, Saugerties Town Hall.

- The minutes for the last two meetings were distributed by G. Marzec. A motion was made by J. Randall to approve them, it was seconded and the minutes were approved by all.
- J. Barbour provided an explanation of the Clean Water Act MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer) regulations. The regulations have a public education/outreach component, and Paul Economos is seeking help with the location and mapping of storm sewer outlets in the town. B. Sawchuk will check with Paul to see what he needs from the CAC.
- M. Wrolsen stated that Dutchess County now has a task force on control of the Emerald Ash Borer.
  - o Mary Ann also stated that we need to get more info out to the public on this topic.
  - o We may have a public info meeting on the topic in the fall.
  - o Mary Ann also asked how much is the DEC involved in getting info out to the public, and there was some discussion of this topic.
- G. Marzec stated that the first public hearing of the town and village Comprehensive Plan was held on March 12, 2012. The hearing went well and the committee will be reviewing comments and making some of the suggested changes.
- S. Guerin led the discussion of the Bristol Beach proposal.
  - o E. Shafer had concerns about lobbying our representatives for support of the proposal. There was considerable discussion regarding this terminology.
  - Steve will be putting together a booklet of information, charts, and related paperwork on Bristol Beach. He asked that we submit info we have to him by mid-April.
  - o C. Tienken will try to get letters of support from local sport groups. The letters should be addressed to the Town Board.
  - If there are other groups that may have an interest, we can also ask them for support letters.
- Steve will provide an agenda prior to each meeting. CAC members should provide their agenda items to Steve in advance of the meetings.

As there were no further topics for discussion, our meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:45 pm.