

# Town of Kent Conservation Advisory Committee

Public Meeting

January 15, 2020 at 7 PM

*Town of Kent Town Hall, 25 Sybil's Crossing, Kent Lakes, NY 10512*

## Agenda

Review and approve minutes for Town of Kent Conservation Advisory Committee meeting held on November 20, 2019

### Chair's report

- Happy New Year 2020!
- Update from Kent Lakes Association
  - Next meeting date January 18, 2020 @ 08:45 at Town Hall
- Mid-Hudson Renewable Energy forum - held on December 13, 2019

### Review guest speaker lecture

- CAC hosted Nate Nardi-Cyrus of NYS DEC Hudson River Estuary Program
- Presented on Hudson River Estuary Program and land use planning resources related to developing a formal Natural Resources Inventory

### CAC membership appeal

- Advertisement for new members for the KCAC has been published in local papers
- Phil Tolmach, updated decision

### Outside projects affecting or related to CAC work

- Review NYS Plastic Bag ban effective March 01, 2020

### CAC Projects

- Climate Smart Initiative
  - Passed by town board
  - Task force committee planning
- Update on work with NY/NJ Trail Conference – planning for Highlands trail across Putnam County (BV)
- Clearpool Model Forest updates (Ed)
- Town mining land-use ordinance and proposed moratorium – review and discuss proposed town code update
- Review and discuss major development projects before Town of Kent Planning Board
  - Receive updates from Planning Board
  - Route 52 Kent Country Square development
    - Environmental and conservation considerations have been documented by planning board in DEIS
  - Patterson Crossing
- Kent Nature Almanac and other kentcas.info archives
  - Potential candidate(s) to assist on producing printed book?
- Kent Natural Resources Inventory project
  - Update on planning for native biodiversity inventory project for NRI (BB)
  - Discuss formal NRI for town and what this entails

- Kent Beautification Committee
  - Kent Clean-up day – scheduled for April 18, 2020 (rain date April 25, 2020), 9AM – 1PM

### **CAC Hikes and programs**

Kent CAC hikes/events

- Review New Year's Day hike
- Other hikes to be scheduled?

Other planned events

- Astronomy night, date and location TBD – reached out to Westchester Astronomers Club (BV)
  - Proposed using Huestis park
  - Awaiting contact back
- Mushroom walk at Clearpool, date TBD (EI)
- ToK CAC Social Media outreach report
- Kent Conservation Foundation report

Set next Kent CAC meeting date

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