

Conservation Advisory Council, Town of New Lebanon
Minutes for monthly meeting
October 6, 2025

Present: CAC members: Bob Gilson, Donald Lamonaca, Peg Munves, Bill O'Neill, Steve Powers

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 P.M. Peg noted that she made corrections to the minutes. The minutes were approved as presented.

Sludge Resolution: The Town Board approved the Sludge Resolution. The people at the Environmental Advocates of NY were pleased.

Wastewater Feasibility Study: Peg said that the Wastewater feasibility study has been postponed. It's going to be a winter project. Once we get the study, the Joint Committee (BEDC and CAC) needs to speak with residents about the plan so that there is a clear understanding. We were tasked by the TB to get folks to sign a letter or petition to opt-in and we need legal language for that. We have some financial data, but it needs to be refined.

County-wide Conservation Plan: Peg and Bob said that they would attend the zoom meeting.

Trees for Tribs: Peg and Donald had a meeting with Joanne Amlaw. They are going to try to take most of the tubes off this fall and replace them with stakes, where needed. A few trees will need to be moved. Joanne Amlaw said she would come up with the money and we will make contributions as we can.

Streambed Mitigation: Nothing to report.

Zoning Rewrite: Nothing to report.

Drinking Water Source Protection Plan: Peg said that there is a conversation about using DWSP2 as an addendum to the Comprehensive Plan.

Pattern for Progress Affordable Housing and Conservation: Peg said that they are narrowing down possible locations, but that no meeting date has been set.

Climate Smart Communities: Steve said that the liner for the landfill is scheduled to arrive on October 8. Peg suggest that it is important to do water testing downgrade of the site. Steve said that quarterly testing is included in the maintenance contract. He also said that the EV charger for the Community Center is coming along.

Tilden Commons: Peg said that Josh and his team have made more than 100 changes to the plan. They have done the perc testing. The SEQR is not done.

The meeting adjourned at 5:35 P.M. The next CAC Meeting is scheduled for November 10 at 5:00 pm at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted by Robert Gilson