

**TOWN OF CLARKSON**  
**CONSERVATION BOARD – MINUTES**

March 10, 2010

**Board Members**

Brian Lemon – Chairperson \*  
Stacy Peck  
Michael Beadling  
Sue Beck  
Juliann Dean

**Support Board Members**

Richard Olson, Town Attorney \*  
Ursula Liotta, Building Department Coordinator  
\*excused

**CALL TO ORDER**

**NEW BUSINESS**       None

**OTHER - Planning Session re: Forestry Grant**

David Goodwin, Highway Superintendent, was present to help provide information and direction. The Town's Comprehensive Plan was considered and referred to as part of the discussion.

**PARKS:**

1. Veteran's Memorial Park – a plan is already in process by an established committee; an architectural rendering has been made for the new park, including a few plantings, a flagpole, and walkways. The architectural rendering is necessary in order to make application for a separate "parks grant". Under the "forestry grant", a few decorative trees at the entrance may be considered.
2. Hafner Park – 30 acres behind the highway department; partially playing fields and an equestrian area, and wooded space to the north that is primarily undeveloped. This park is already treed; no real need to plant new.
3. Sans Socie Park – it's on the canal and has a trail. This park is already treed; no real need to plant new.
4. Ridgewood Park – for future development once town takes ownership; it is zoned highway commercial.

**HAMLETS:**

1. Clarkson Corners – the most identifiable feature of Clarkson; the "*hamlet character is lacking at the NYS 104/19 intersection and at Hafner Park/Highway Department*" (per Comprehensive Plan Summary p. 3-8). It was suggested that perhaps trees could be planted along the frontage of the highway department's property to help mask the highway's buildings and make it a more attractive stretch of road.
2. Garland – lacks hamlet streetscape elements, i.e. landscaping, pedestrian-scale streetlights, and sidewalks.
3. Redman Road – intersection w/NYS 104; also lacks hamlet streetscape elements.
4. West Ave – by Lakeside Hospital
5. Gilmore Road – intersection w/Lake Rd. (Rt. 18)
6. East Avenue – by Seymour Library

**RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISIONS:**

The board briefly reviewed the street inventory provided by the Highway Department, including, which roads have sidewalks (most sidewalks fall within the right-of-ways); the width of certain roads.

The board discussed the town possibly offering trees to be purchased by property owners at a reduced price, rather than targeting certain residential areas as part of the proposed tree planting plan.

**AT NEXT MEETING, NEED TO:**

Prioritize where the trees should be planted; start a "wish list" in the event the grant money is not available.

Suggested:

1. Clarkson Corners Hamlet
2. Any other publicly owned property

It was requested that a list of town-owned property be provided to the board (U. Liotta will obtain the list), and that those properties be identified on a town map for review at the next meeting.

**NEXT MEETING:**       April 14, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**       Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ursula M. Liotta

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