Conservation Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
April 26, 2018

Present: Sue Tomkins, Jeff Green, Diane Evans, Paul Yaeger, Ron Rezabek, Bob Wynne, Mike Madigan. Excused: Ed Standora, Alice Gerard, Sam Akinbami. Guest: Bob Eddy. Meeting called to order at 7:09 pm by Jeff Green.

1. Minutes from March 22, 2018 approved with three minor corrections. So moved by Sue, seconded by Bob. Carried six to zero.

2. RFQ Update: Tabled. See item #3.

3. Open Space Plan: Open space shall be defined as: “publicly or privately owned open space of 10 acres or greater and smaller parcels with ecological importance.” Mike will send out the RFQ. Responses are to be in by 5:00 pm on May 23. We will change the starting date to July 1st.

4. Alternate Members for CAB: Two alternates have been interviewed. There is one more interview scheduled next week, Tues. at 3:00 pm.

5. Planning Board Report: Sue and Alice attended meeting on April 9. Heron Pointe phase two was presented. It will be as large as Phase 1. Sue asked a question but was asked not to speak, since she is not on the Planning Board. Ron has heard two complaints of water entering in-ground pools. Ron will follow up on this. The two wetland areas in the complex need to be addressed, as federal ruling requires they be left intact. It was suggested we visit the site and walk along the Woods Creek tributary that goes through the property. Sean Hopkins will be invited to show us the plans at our May meeting. Jeff will seek permission to walk the property. Traffic patterns and impact on wildlife are other concerns.

6. Town Board Report: Mike reported that he is concerned that Beaver Island State Park is using the Town's infrastructure for water and sewer. The cost of this is $22,000 per year. He also reported on progress with the Welcome Center.

7. Additional News/Announcements: Bob and Diane will attend the May14 Planning Bd. meeting. Jeff will get in touch with Sean Hopkins concerning Heron Pointe.

Diane and Jeff reported on meeting with Steve Apfelbaum, Nancy Smith, and Jajean Rose. Steve is the founder of Applied Ecological Services. He gave us many ideas for developing an open space plan which we will share at a future time.

May 22-23 there is a Water Leadership Training Course offered. See Diane for
details. The Solarize Campaign on Grand Island has its official launch on May 12 at Town Hall.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm. Bob moved to adjourn. Paul seconded. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Evans
Recording Secretary