

ONEONTA, NEW YORK – Sept 11, 2013 - 7:00 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

PRESENT:

Chair David Hutchison
Commissioner Joan Fox
Commissioner Richard Denicore
Commissioner George Palladino
Commissioner Lucille Wiggin

ABSENT:

Commissioner Tracy Allen
Commissioner Dale Burrington
Council Member Larry Malone

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 7:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES. Minutes of the previous meeting July 10th had not been distributed.

PETITIONERS – None (City Manager, Mike Long was in attendance)

REPORT

George Palladino brought the committee up to date on the Emerald Ash Borer Report. The report has been accepted by the Mayor and distributed to Council members. Most Ash Trees in the city have been located and mapped although some on private property may be added if citizens self identify them. A *certified* inventory is needed prior to seeking a grant from the DEC.

The board accepted the report and thanked George for a job well done.

Also, George announced that there will be a speaker at Foxcare next week (9/18) The speaker, Mark Whitmore, Dept. of Natural Resources, Cornell University is reference in George's report: Insecticide Treatment of Ash Trees in New York for Emerald Ash Borer.

Chair Hutchison reminded the group of pending plans for a Sustainable Working Group Summit, probably sometime in February.

Chair Hutchison announced that the tree planting program is continuing as Brian Fawcett is now back in town – numbers and locations are, as yet, unavailable. Mike Long, City Manager, indicated that there is pruning currently being done on Main Street.

The chair suggested that the October meeting be canceled inasmuch as there is no pressing business. There being no opposition, the next meeting will be at the regularly scheduled time in November.

Commissioner Palladino made a motion to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.