

## ROSENDALE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Minutes of the Meeting of February 9, 2023; approved March 9, 2023

### *Present:*

Amie Worley, Chair

Darrell Hamlin, Co-chair

Susan H. Gillespie, Secretary

Penny Coleman

### *Excused:*

Sean Nixon

Jenn Sturiale

Town Liaison Carrie Wyckoff was not able to attend

The meeting was called to order at 6:47 p.m.

1. Lacking a quorum, we did not approve any minutes.

### 2. Membership

Amie reported that Sharon Wiacek is not a candidate.

**ACTION:** Members whose terms expired in December 2022 (Amie, Susan, Sean) need to notify the Town Clerk of their intent to continue.

### 3. National Resources Inventory (NRI)

The NRI is complete. Discussion focused on presentation to the Town Board, scheduled for March 8, and possibilities for a more public event, ideally including Nate Nardi-Cyrus and Ingrid Haeckel. Possibilities include an event at the theater.

**ACTION:** Darrell will make sure we are on the agenda of the March 8 Town Board meeting.

#### 4. Seed Swap

The Seed Swap being organized by Jenn and Amie is scheduled for March 11 from 1-4 p.m. at the Municipal Center. [Plans](#) are advanced; help with publicity and staffing are needed. To print posters/flyers a Purchase Order is needed from the Town Clerk, to be followed up by an invoice or voucher.

ACTION: REC members are needed to help staff the event, ideally from 12-5 for setup and cleanup. Tarps are needed to protect tables.

#### 5. Third Thursday program

It was proposed and agreed that the REC will join the [Third Thursday Series](#), a program of free, online events organized by the Gardiner, Marbletown, Rochester and Olive Environmental Conservation Commissions and hosted by Marbletown. Each month—every third Thursday—the series presents a free, online program on an environmental topic of general interest to residents of Ulster County. To join, email to [thirdthursdayseries@gmail.com](mailto:thirdthursdayseries@gmail.com) or follow the Rochester ECC [Facebook page](#).

ACTION: Penny will find out what kind of events Third Thursdays are looking for – for example a video with Laura Heady?

#### 6. Other future events, and publicity

Events that Rosendale could organize might include a Children's event with environmental picture books and music (drum circle with Fre Atlast, the Rosendale band, ukelele band, Dog on Fleas), and/or a May Day event.

Publicity is needed for successful organization of any new events.

ACTIONS: Darrel will become administrator of the Facebook page, taking over from Kellie and adding promotional materials on the Seed Swap and Third Thursday series. Amie will find out about Dog on Fleas.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10.