

Town of Mendon Environmental Conservation Board

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 7th, 2025

Present: Chair Peter Carosa, Margaret Bailey, Jeff Clark, Tim Engström

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 4th, 2025, 7:00 PM

1. Call to Order: 7:05 PM

2. Approval of Past Minutes – November 12th, 2024

- The Board unanimously approved the minutes from the November 12th, 2024 meeting

3. New Business

- Wallman Site Plan
 - The Board discussed an application seeking to build a single-family home and barn on a 10.0-acre lot, zoned RA-5, at 721 Mile Square Road. Environmental Protection Overlay District (EPOD) #2 (Steep Slope) is present on the parcel. None of the proposed work within the limits of ground disturbance as denoted on the site plan encroach on any of the EPODs present on the parcel. The ECB did not recommend the application be required to obtain an EPOD permit.

4. Old Business

- Monroe County Climate Action Plan
 - The Board continued to discuss the Monroe County Climate Action Plan and County's charge that all municipalities within the County develop their own Climate Action Plan. Given Tom Dubois absence, there was no update on direction from the Town Board.
 - Tim Engström suggested that the ECB review the Town's Comprehensive Plan to see what, if any, language is included about climate action. He also mentioned that the Board needs to develop an outline about what is required for the Town to develop a climate action plan and how the Town could go about getting it done. He also suggested it would be worthwhile to include other climate focused tasks, such as inventorying weaknesses in existing infrastructure susceptible to climate events.

5. Monroe County Environmental Management Council Updates

- Town Delegate Appointment – Margaret Bailey offered to serve as the Town's delegate to the Monroe County Environmental Management Council with Jeff Clark and Tim Engström serving as alternates.

6. Town Board Updates – Tom Dubois

- None

7. Meeting Adjournment: 8:06 PM