

Town of Grand Island – Regular Meeting #13

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Building Permits Issued – June 2013
2. Time Warner Cable – Developments Affecting Time Warner Cable Subscribers in the Western New York Division
3. New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Notice of Complete Application – NYS Regulated Wetlands in Erie County
4. Meeting Minutes – Grand Island Economic Development Advisory Board – May 9, 2013 & June 13, 2013
5. Golden Age Center – Vehicle Usage – June 2013
6. Golden Age Center – Facility Usage – June 2013
7. County of Erie, Department of Environment and Planning – Final 2012 CAPER
8. Meeting Minutes – Planning Board – June 10, 2013

A motion was made by Councilman Crawford, seconded by Councilman Billica to approve the consent agenda as distributed and refer item # 4, to the Cable & Communications Committee.

APPROVED Ayes 5 Crawford, Roesch, Billica, Aronica, Cooke
Noes 0

COMMUNICATIONS – TOWN BOARD:

SUPERVISOR MARY S. COOKE:

Resolution Authorizing Greenway/Application – West River Connector Trail

A motion was made by Councilman Crawford, seconded by Councilman Roesch to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town of Grand Island endeavors to provide diverse recreational opportunities for its residents; and

WHEREAS, the West River Parkway runs along the western shoreline Grand Island shares with the Niagara River and connects Beaver Island State Park and Buckhorn State Park; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Grand Island has developed, in collaboration with the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, a Concept for the *West River Connector Trail Project* that contains recommendations for the most effective use of the property that will maximize recreational and environmental values; and

WHEREAS, the *West River Connector Trail Project* represents a unique opportunity for the Town of Grand Island that will emphasize the conservation, recreation and environmental values in a way that will define the Niagara River and at the same time add substantial asset value to the Niagara River Greenway; and

WHEREAS, the *West River Connector Trail Project* will provide a vital connection for the Niagara River Greenway trail system and offer the public uninterrupted access to 60 miles of contiguous trail and access to 70% of the Niagara River Greenway waterfront; and

WHEREAS, the *West River Connector Trail Project* will involve minimal land clearing, excavation, and installation of a stone-based asphalt trail, but will not have an impact on wetland, woodland or riparian habitats in the area;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Mary Cooke, Supervisor of the Town of Grand Island, is hereby authorized and directed, in partnership with the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, to submit for consultation and review to the Niagara River Greenway Commission, the *West River Connector Trail Project*.

APPROVED Ayes 5 Crawford, Roesch, Billica, Aronica, Cooke
Noes 0