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## Town of Knox Conservation Advisory Council

### Meeting Notes August 26, 2025

Attending: Eric Marczak, Rick Georgeson, Amy Lauterbach, Dave Nelson

Absent: Nelson Kent

Eric opened the meeting at 6:31 PM.

#### Housekeeping

- Eric moved and Rick seconded to approve the July 22 meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.
- Amy has completed the harassment training program for 2025.

#### Education and Outreach

##### Map Library (for Open Space Inventory)

- Eric met Dustin ? from Glenville who manages their composting operations. We could learn about that from him. He is also a possible resource for making maps.

##### Conservation Planning

- We need annual data on how much waste we send to the landfill and how much road salt we use.

##### Biosolids

##### Water Supply

- We reviewed and edited a draft introductory memo and survey to ask residents about wells: water quality, quantity, depth, changes in water quality, history of problems, etc. We also ask about their septic systems.
- Rainfall has been less than usual this August.
- Eric reported that Jay Becker recommends against growing spruce trees near septic systems, as their roots seek water and clog up underground lines. Maples and birches are better choices.

##### Wetlands Boardwalk

- We need to provide NYS Birding Trail a link to a website page that has information about our wetland and amenities visitors can find nearby. The 2026 town board may be amenable to providing more support for enhancing the town website. The FPP Story Map deliverable is another possible solution.

##### Local Recreational Resources

- A ribbon cutting for the kiosk for the Long Path connector is planned for 12 – 3 PM on September 27.

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 PM. The next CAC meeting is scheduled for 6:30 PM on Tuesday, September 23.

Submitted by Amy Lauterbach