

Poland Municipal Forest Special Meeting – Virtual Platform– January 14, 2021

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm by the chair

Board Members Present:

James Brammer

Bob Elias - Excused

Chris Graff, *Village Council Representative*

Dr. Ian Renne

BJ Sulka

Mark Thompson

Elinor Zedaker, *Chair*

On January 14, 2021 the Poland Municipal Forest Board met on Zoom for the sole purpose to discuss the SB 310 funds allocated to the forest. The amount of \$100,000 minus a 2% fee taken by ODNR will be available to the forest. The funds will be available for one year.

During a round table style meeting many ideas were discussed by the board members. No public opinion was taken during this meeting.

Some of the projects discussed were: Trail repair, footbridge repair on trails, boardwalk repair and widening between Bluebell Trail and Butler Trail; erosion control along Bluebell Trail and other areas; purchasing a new comfort station to replace the primitive facility; rebuilding the stone wall; deer population control; planting hardwoods; and constructing additional deer exclosures.

The Chair expressed appreciation for the late State Representative Mr. Don Manning, Village Councilman Mr. Sam Moffie, and State Senator Mr. Michael Rulli for their efforts in securing the SB 310 funds for the forest restoration.

Following the board's group discussion and recap of our thoughts and priorities: erosion control, trail building, and purchasing a new comfort station are among our top priorities.

Graff made a motion to adjourn, Sulka seconded, all said AYE.

