

## **Minutes of Danby Gas Drilling Task Force Meeting 16-May-2012**

### **Present:**

Present: R.Dietrich, T.Crane (secretary), J.Tiffany (chair), A.Klingensmith, G.Garrison, K.Morris

### **Meeting brought to order at 7:07pm.**

### **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes of 11-Apr-2012 were approved by acclamation.

### **Review of 25-Apr Work Session**

The working meeting on 25-Apr was described. An interesting discussion preempted the planned work.

### **Elected Officials Letter**

The Robertson/Frongillo sign-on letter (for elected officials) was discussed. The letter asks Governor Cuomo to take specific actions (health impact survey, socioeconomic analysis, cumulative impacts) before regulations are finalized or any moratorium is lifted. Walter Hang has a different letter requesting more substantial action. Crane noted that this letter is old news to local officials; those that will sign it, already have. Morris suggested a group event to contact additional, non-local officials.

Garrison gave a description of the recent anti-fracking concert and rally.

Morris will contact Frongillo with a description of our potential effort, asking for a list of officials to be called. These are folks who, presumably, could not be contacted by Email or letter.

### **Action in Danby**

Danby, among other local municipalities, has passed a resolution calling for the passage of A7013/S4616, which requires that hazardous waste from fracking be treated as hazardous waste.

### **Downtown Event**

Tiffany described an event, Wednesday 23-May, in the Unitarian Church. The speaker will talk about fighting gas companies in Alberta, Canada.

### **Information Sharing**

The group traded stories about current events, such as the Buffalo Fracking report (sponsored by the gas industry), grass roots efforts in PA, the Cleghorn report of 100 cases of health problems arising from drilling efforts, and more. A meeting devoted to telling well-documented stories about fracking was proposed.

The group brainstormed about a fracking-related booth/event during Danby Fun Day.

### **Announcements.**

Next meeting on 13-Jun, 7pm in Town Hall, then 11-Jul

### **Meeting adjourned at 8:39pm.**