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**BOARD MEETING SUMMARY: March 5, 2018**

**BOARD MEMBERS:** John Strobl, Ralph Maffei, Faith Moore, John Tracey, David Niemotko, Ben Astorino

**BOARD SUPPORT:** Martha Boulanger, Carrie Scali (*OC Planning*)

**GUESTS:** *N/A*

**MOTIONS:**

**To accept the February meeting minutes. David Niemotko motioned, John Strobl seconded and it passed with no one abstaining.**

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The third board Meeting of 2018 opened with the passing of the February meeting minutes. David Niemotko motioned to accept the February meeting minutes, John Strobl seconded and it passed unanimously.

A main portion of this meeting was spent on the spring workshops. Definite details regarding the full day course which will take place on April 20<sup>th</sup> were discussed and locked in. Ben Astorino was able to get in touch with Laura Barca who is willing to present on the topic of storm water. Faith Moore spoke with Kevin Sumner from Cornell Cooperative Extension. He and a colleague will present on rain gardens. Discussion further lead to David Niemotko stating he also secured a representative from Unilock to discuss pavers. Further details were discussed and the first full day course of 2018 was officially planned.

Following up from the February meeting, Faith Moore mentioned she was able to get in touch with NYSERDA and they are willing to present on electric car charging stations. It was then decided that this topic will be available at one of the evening sessions of 2018 with possible dates of April 30<sup>th</sup>, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, or May 8th. Faith will reach out to Carla at NYSERDA to finalize the presentation. David Niemotko will reach out to Gerry Lucien to present on lighting. Board members were asked to get short course descriptions along with a brief bio of any presenters they confirm for a session.

The second evening course was also discussed and the board decided to have a class on solar. Several ideas were passed around about either having a discussion panel or possibly have a representative from Tesla come in and discuss the new solar roof tiles they have recently made available to the public. John Tracy was to reach out to Tesla and Martha was to discuss the panel possibility with Kate Schmidt. Due to the extensive amount of information that Tesla may be able to offer, the roofing tile presentation may be long enough for a full day fall course. The board was to have follow up discussions via email regarding this matter.

The meeting moved on to discuss this year's scholarship and internship. Martha and Carrie notified the board that the scholarship has been presented to each of the high schools within Orange County. It was reiterated that the scholarship award will be presented during the Association of Towns and Villages meeting in July. Faith and David will both be present to present the award and discuss the Federation in hopes of gaining new members. The board agreed unanimously to duplicate the internship from 2017. Carrie will have it sent out accordingly.

The board briefly discussed the annual dinner, but given the time decided to discuss it further at the next meeting. Carrie will compile information regarding pricing and seating at various restaurants in Goshen, NY.

Ben Astorino then motioned to adjourn the meeting at approximately 6:40pm, David Niemotko seconded and it passed unanimously.