



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS April 22, 2013

PRESENT:

Frank Thomas, Chairman	Jim Lieberum, DM
Tim Costello, Director	Rhonda L. Jarvis, OM
Evelyn Wood, Director	Dean Moore, SrDT
Charlie Maine, Director	Bob Bombard, WRS
Ronald Montesi, Vice Chairman	Nick Rowell, NRS
George Ryan, Director	
Matt Brower, NYS DAM	

- 1) **Meeting was called to order:** Chairman Thomas convened the Director's meeting at 1:00pm.
- 2) **Approval of the previous SWCD meeting minutes:** **Motion:** by Montesi to approve the March minutes, 2nd by Wood, carried.
- 3) **Report of Officers:**
 - a) **Chairman Report:** Thomas mentioned that the Warren County Board of Supervisors added a line item to their budget for invasive species.
 - b) **Treasurer Report:** As far as the financial situation, the District has an estimated \$163,370.72, most of which is grant money. Bills for payment and approval in April 2013, totaled \$3,193.35. **Motion: by Costello to approve bills for payment for April and the financial report for March, 2013, 2nd by Wood, carried.**
 - c) **Correspondence:** A letter from LGA asking the District for a letter of Support for funding for Lake-saving projects including Stormwater and stream corridor management projects. Thank you card from LGA thank us for the support in all the projects we partner on in and around Lake George.
- 4) **Business:**
 - a) **Bolton Stormwater Identification Project:** The District decided to add an addition section to this project which includes mapping private roads along the shoreline in Bolton Landing. Moore and Rowell have met with Tim and Matt Coon to discuss a new Mohican infiltration designs which include a paved swale diverting the Stormwater into a drywell. The District looked at some potential Stormwater retrofits at the Town Municipal parking lot and Bolton Highway Garage and Transfer Station.
 - b) **2013 Tree and Shrub Sales Update:** This program is moving forward the 2013 tree and shrub pick up is this Friday here at the District office from 8:30am thru 6:00pm. Office staff will be putting together the orders

today in the basement. Just fewer than 100 orders this year, a little less than last year but I believe more trees have been purchased.

- c) **Agricultural Districts – Matt Brower, NYSDAM:** Mr. Brower spoke on behalf of NYSDAM on Ag Districts and their formations and worth. Mr. Brower did a great job in explaining the ins and outs of Ag District; he passed around plenty of information to bring to the Warren County Board of Supervisors if the county was ready to take this roll on.
- d) **Warren County AEM program:** Rowell and Lieberum are completing the Warren County AEM year-end annual report and will be completed and sent in by May 7, 2013. Rowell is also completing the annual plan of work for 2014 the plan of work consists of more work for the District as more hobby farms are appearing in Warren County. Rowell is excited to move this program forward and bring in some extra funding for the District.
- e) **Horicon Projects:** Bombard met with Paul Smith highway super from Horicon and Josh Reinicke, a FEMA representative on a hazard mitigation grant application for a site on Alder Brook Rd, in Horicon. The District is also working with Mr. Smith on an ACOE permit for a culvert replacement on Hayesburg Road.
- f) **Health Insurance Options:** Lieberum has mentioned that he went to a course at the Water Quality Symposium on another source of a Health Insurance plan for the District and it may save the District Health Insurance costs. Lieberum asked the board if they would like him to check into this Health Insurance Plan for the District. Thomas, Montesi and Wood would like to see the info and comparable with other Health Insurance plans.
- g) **Grant Status Updates – Fish Passage:** The search continues for least three more replacement culvert, in the towns of Lake Luzerne, Chester and Hague. Bombard will keep board updated when projects starts back up. , **Glen Lake:** Bombard had attended a Glen Lake Protective Association meeting at the county building for a brief overview of the program and asking for any suggestions on sites of Stormwater concerns, **Schroon River:** Moore is awaiting an APA permit to move forward with this project and he will keep the board updated when received. , **MS4:** Beth Gilles and Lieberum have been moving forward on this project, purchases have been made and projects have been started and completed. The District is getting ready to put forth a funding request for reimbursements, Rhonda will putting numbers together for Lieberum to complete the report.
- h) **Warren County and Queensbury MS4 Programs – Annual Reports:** Lieberum has developed the Warren County and Town of Queensbury MS4 program reports and has completed the Warren County MS4 report and is awaiting some final numbers from the Town of Queensbury and they will be shipped off to NYS DEC.
- i) **NYSDEC 4 Hour Training, April 15th:** This NYSDEC 4 hour training was a great turn out. There were 70 people in attendance. The District will be conducting at least two more in the fall of 2013.
- j) **West Brook (LG Bowl) Stormwater:** A new owner for this property in Lake George will be updating the parking lot in which the District had put in a few years back a Stormwater project, so Lieberum had given the new owner David Kenny all the information on the project that had been

completed on his property.

- k) **LG Watershed Coalition Project:** Lieberum had met with Dave Decker, Edna Frasier and Ron Conover about the Salt Storage Facility grant that was received from the Lake George Watershed Coalition. This project is awaiting the CFA.
 - l) **Alternative De-icing Forum:** This forum was well received by the town highway supers and truck drivers. There were 90 registered and 80 in attendance from the surrounding counties. Beth Gilles from Lake Champlain/Lake George regional planning set up and organized this event and Lieberum attended and assisted.
- 5) **Partner Report:** Fitcher's NRCS presented this month. He had a conservation plan to be signed by Thomas at Boggia's place for Hi tunnel project. He also has two forestry management plans being funded in Stony Creek and Horicon.
- 6) **District Staff Reports:**
- a) **James Lieberum, DM,** Jim's report was reviewed.
 - b) **Bob Bombard, WRS,** Bob's report was reviewed.
 - c) **Dean Moore, SrDT,** Moore's report was reviewed.
 - d) **Nick Rowell, NRS,** Nick's report was reviewed.
- 7) **Adjournment: Motion: by Montesi adjourn Directors meeting at 2:45p.m., 2nd Costello, carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda L. Jarvis, Office Manager/ Treasurer
Date Approved: _____

APPENDIX: A - Treasurer Report
B - Correspondence
C - Partners reports
D- Staff Reports