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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

December 14, 2015

PRESENT:

Frank Thomas, Chairman	Jim Lieberum, DM
Ronald Montesi, Vice Chairman	Rhonda L. Jarvis, OM/Treasurer
Tim Costello, Director	Dean Moore, SrDT
Mark Brown, Director	Robert Bombard, WRS
Charlie Maine, Director	Nick Rowell, NRS
Evelyn Wood, Director	Beth Gilles, LCH/LG Regional Planning
Bob Brower, NYSWCC	Walter Lender, LGA
Amy Drexel, WC ESO	Dave Wick, LG Park Commission
Dave Decker, LG Watershed Col	Kevin Geraghty, WC Chairman
Paul Dusek, County Administrator	Dave Harrington, Village of Lake George
John Earl, Deputy Mayor	Brain LaFlure, WC ESO
Mike Dauphinais, NYS DEC	Rob Fitch, NYS DOT

- 1) **Meeting was called to order:** Chairman Thomas convened the Director's meeting at 11:3am.
- 2) **Approval of the previous SWCD meeting minutes:** **Motion:** by Wood to approve the November 2015 minutes, 2nd by Costello, carried.
- 3) **Report of Officers:**
 - a) **Chairman Report:** Thomas welcomed all who attended this meeting and thanked the staff on all our hard work at the District in 2015 and especially getting the County vacuum excavator through a NYS DEC grant.
 - b) **Treasurer Report:** As far as the financial situation, the District has an estimated \$72,210.73; most of it is in grant money. Bills for payment for December totaled \$3,649.06 and approval of November financial report 2015. All grant account approvals for payment in August if added are approved. **Motion: by Costello to approve all bills for payment for December, 2nd by Brown, carried. Motion: by Costello to approve the financial report for November 2015, 2nd by Maine, carried.**
 - c) **Correspondence:** 1. Municipal agreements with county and towns. 2. 2016 letter from the County adopting the District County Budget. 3. Queensbury High School sent a letter introducing a new Envirothon teacher for the District's Envirothon.
- 4) **SWCD Business:**
 - a) **2016 NYACD Legislative Days,** Lieberum mentioned that Legislative days will be coming up in the near future please keep in mind. No date has

been set at this time and Lieberum will let you know when it comes available and see might be interested in attending.

- b) 2016 NACD Attendance, Lieberum** mentioned the District can send two board members to the NACD annual meeting in Reno Nevada, please let him know if there is any interest deadline for early registrations is coming to an end.
 - c) December 16 NYSCDEA/NYACD Meeting,** This meeting is being held in Westport this year and attendance so far is the whole staff and two board members Montesi, Marc and maybe Costello. We have the staff and board members have their lunch option picked. So if any other board members interested please let Lieberum or Rhonda.
 - d) Hazard Mitigation Project Update,** The update on the Hazard Mitigation Project is moving along smoothly, the first solid draft will be completed by the end of this month.
 - e) Lake Champlain Basin Program Response Letter,** Lieberum provided a letter of response from Bill Howland, Director of the LCBP in regards to a communication that Lieberum had sent. The LCBP was not sure why they did not receive more grant applications, Lieberum had written to LCBP discussing the District is maxed out at this time, but is looking forward to working with the LCBP in the future.
 - f) Draft 2016 Schroon Lake Milfoil RFP,** Lieberum mentioned a draft 2016 Schroon Lake Milfoil RFP will be sent out later in the month and it will be in the same format as the brank lake RFP, Lieberum will keep the board members informed on the progress.
 - g) Appointment of Officers for 2016 District Board Chairman, Vice Chairman and Treasurer, Motion:** by Costello to present the same officers in their positions to continue for another year, they are all doing a great job, Chairman Frank Thomas, Vice Chairman Ronald Montesi, Treasurer Rhonda L. Jarvis, carried by Brown, Carried.
 - h) Other,** 1. Lieberum interviewed a college intern from SUNY Adirondack/Plattsburg and he will be working with the District in the summertime for 15hrs a week. 2. Lieberum presented two proposals for MS4 Work in the Town and Village of Lake George. **Motion:** by Montesi for approval of proposals, a. Town is a 3 year proposal in the amount of 5,000 mapping and outfalls trainings, b. Village is a 1 year proposal in the amount of 3200.00 mapping and training, 2nd by Wood, carried. 3. Passed around the final reports for Brant and Schroon Lakes milfoil programs.
- 5) **Other Agencies:** Bob Brower, NYSSWC report was reviewed and updates where mentioned as Brower was present. Many of the other agencies were present and spoke very highly of the District and it's accomplishments throughout the year with their organizations and others. LGA, LG Park Commission, LCH/LG Regional Planning, NYS DEC, NYS DOT and WC ESO.
- 6) **2015 Conservasionist of the Year Presentation,** The Village of Lake George was presented a plaque for 2015 Conservationist of the Year. Dave Harrington and John Earl accepted the Plaque on behalf of the Village.

7) **District Staff Reports:**

a) **2015 Warren County SWCD Highlights.** A presentation by Lieberum was presented on the highlights of the District in 2015.

8) **Adjournment: Motion: by Brown to adjourn Directors meeting at 1:30p.m., 2nd Costello, carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda L. Jarvis, Office Manager/ Treasurer

Date Approved: _____