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## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

November 23, 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	

- 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 October 2015 minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Maine, carried.
- 3) **Report of Officers:**
  - a) **Chairman Report:** Thomas mentioned the Warren County Board of Supervisors meeting was last Friday and the District's budget had been approved for 2016.
  - b) **Treasurer Report:** As far as the financial situation, the District has an estimated \$119267.13; most of it is in grant money. Bills for payment for November totaled \$3,171.05 and approval of October financial report 2015. All grant account approvals for payment in August if added are approved. **Motion: by Montesi to approve all bills for payment for November, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brown, carried. Motion: by Wood to approve the financial report for October 2015, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Costello, carried.**
  - c) **Correspondence:** 1. Article in the Post Star on a Stormwater project at Usher Park in Lake George. 2. Article in the Lake George Mirror on the same Stormwater project at Usher Park in Lake George. 3. Picture of a co-workers friend who is holding a huge fisher from the wild.
- 4) **SWCD Business:**
  - a) **NYSCDEA-NYACD Joint Fall regional meeting,** This will be held on December 16<sup>th</sup> up in Westport, NY at the Essex Co SWCD, please let Rhonda know if you will be attending so you can be counted for lunch.
  - b) **NALMS review,** This 2 day conference was held in Saratoga Springs, NY and Bombard attended. Bombard mentioned it was a well-received conference and well attended. It talked about milfoil and other species living in our lakes with some possible options of removal of each species. Along with treatments.

- c) **December Meeting**, The District December board meeting will be held on December 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 at Lizzy Keays in Warrensburg, NY, Lieberum mentioned to Thomas please look over invited lists to make sure we have invited all.
- d) **Eurasian Watermilfoil Contract for Schroon, Motion:** by Wood to continue the Eurasian watermilfoil contract for Schroon for another 3 years, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Costello, carried. Lieberum will draw up the contract for signature.
- e) **Town of Johnsburg EMS Hydroseeding request**, this was discussed among the board members and staff. **Motion:** by Costello to grant the request to Hydro-seed the Town of Johnsburg EMS site for the cost of the material, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brown, carried.
- f) **2016 NACD Annual meeting- Reno, Nevada (January 30- February 3, 2016)**, Lieberum mentioned please look at this information and discuss if you as board members would like to attend this meeting or not, to get the early bird rate we will need the decision in by next meeting, The budget will be allowing 2 members of the board.
- g) **Grants updates.**
  - Schroon** – Projects are still moving along and the Town of Chester will be applying for an extension of the grant.
  - English Brook-** There will be a wildflower seeding at Exit 22 before winter hits.
  - Fish and Wildlife-** Quarterly reporting has been submitted. All the osprey nests have been placed and set pools have been installed in west brook.
  - Stormwater Maintenance (Vacuum Trailer)** The County has ordered the Ringo-Matic Trailered catch Vacuum and waiting for its arrival.
  - Hydroseeding-** The Hydroseeder is in Bolton Landing at warm bay waiting for the last application seeding at a project at the landfill. Then it is off to the county shop for winterization.
  - RCPP-** This program is going very well the District has signed up nine farms for high tunnel funding.
- h) **Other**, 1. Lieberum mentioned Ashley Leemans our summer intern will be returning to work a few days a week while she is home from school. 2. Warren County CCE was to attend this meeting to discuss a possible pond construction across the street and would like the input and help from the District but no one showed up to discuss so another date will be set up.

5) **Other Agencies:** Bob Brower, NYSSWC report was reviewed.

6) **District Staff Reports:**

- a) **James Lieberum, DM**, Lieberum's report was reviewed.
- b) **Bob Bombard, WRS**, Bombard's report was reviewed.
- c) **Dean Moore, Sr. DT**, Moore's Report was reviewed.
- d) **Nick Rowell, NRS, Rowell's**, Rowell's Report was reviewed.

7) **Adjournment: Motion: by Maine to adjourn Directors meeting at 2:17p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> Wood, carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Rhonda L. Jarvis, Office Manager/ Treasurer

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_