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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS May 19th, 2014

PRESENT:

Frank Thomas, Chairman Tim Costello, Director Evelyn Wood, Director George Ryan, Director

Jim Lieberum, DM Rhonda L. Jarvis, OM

- 1) Meeting was called to order: Chairman Thomas convened the Director's meeting at 1:35pm.
- 2) Approval of the previous SWCD meeting minutes: Motion: by Wood to approve the April 2014 minutes with corrections to number 3-h take out "not carried and put carried", 2nd by Costello, carried.

3) Report of Officers:

- a) Chairman Report: No report this month.
- b) **Treasurer Report:** As far as the financial situation, the District has an estimated \$190,528.77; most of it is in grant money. Bills for payment and approval in May 2014 Operating bills, totaled \$3734.38. All grant account approvals for payment in May if added are approved. **Motion: by** Costello to approve all bills for payment for May and the financial report for April 2014, 2nd by Ryan, carried.
- c) Correspondence: a. Lieberum is mentioned in the Post Star after presenting at a Queensbury Town Board meeting. B. A letter from LGA thanking the District for the letter of super for them. C. An email to Lieberum from Dennis Dempsey of Glens Falls School District thanking the District for presenting to the kids.

4) **Business:**

- a) **The Farm Talks update:** The District Farm Talks are going very well the next farm talk will be held at SUNY Adirondack Community College (ACC), in Queensbury on May 29th from 6-8, Flyers will be passed around and emails will be sent out for reminders. As of the meeting 16 attendees.
- **b)** Grant Application Updates: All the District grants are starting up and the staff is out in the fields overseeing the work.
- c) MS4 Trainings, presentations and annual reports: Lieberum has finalized the Queensbury and Warren County MS4 reports they have been submitted to the NYSDEC for the close out of the requirements for year 2013-14.

- d) **Schroon Lake Project update:** Stephanie from NYS DOS was able to meet with Lieberum about the Schroon Lake Project, Rhonda, Rowell and Bombard also joined in the meeting. Lieberum had many questions to ask and discuss with Stephanie. The meeting went very well and questions were answered. Stephanie will be also finding out others that she could not answer at the time of the meeting. This project is getting up and going and Lieberum will keep the board members informed on the progress.
- e) Other: a. Thomas asked about the OTB-County Funding for the Envirothon and Lieberum had talked with JoAnn from the County Board of Supervisors, she said it is a pass through the county on a resolution and the check is directly made out the Warren County SWCD, so she is going to talk with Rob at the County Treasurer's office. The District budget should not have to be amended at all.
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5) <u>Other Agencies:</u> Bob Brower- NYS Soil and Water Conservation

Committee, Brower mentioned more money was funded for soil and water conservation districts, which Leeds to each district is able to apply for Part B monies for projects and Part C for next year. There also had staff changes in the State Committee as for now Jeff Ten Eyck, Associate Environmental Analyst has retired.

6) District Staff Reports:

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

7) <u>Adjournment:</u> Motion: by Costello adjourn Directors meeting at 1:56p.m., 2nd Ryan, carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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

APPENDIX: A - Treasurer Report

B – Correspondence

C - Partners reports D- Staff Reports