



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

December 15th, 2014

PRESENT:

Frank Thomas, Chairman	Jim Lieberum, DM
Tim Costello, Director	Bob Bombard, WRS
Ronald Montesi, Vice Chairman	Dean Moore, Sr. DT
Evelyn Wood, Director	Nick Rowell, NRS
Mark Brown, Director	Beth Gilles, LCH/LG Planning
Charlie Maine, Director	Bill Lupo, NYS DEC
Walt Lender, LGA	Randy Rath, LGA
Kevin Geraghty, Chairman of WC Board of Supervisors	
Paul Dusek, County Administrator	
Martin Auffredou, Warren County Attorney	
Brain LaFlure, Warren County HazMatt/ WMD	

- 1) **Meeting was called to order:** Chairman Thomas convened the Director's meeting at 11:45am.
- 2) **Approval of the previous SWCD meeting minutes:** **Motion:** by Montesi to approve the November 2014 minutes, 2nd by Wood, carried.
- 3) **Report of Officers:**
 - a) **Chairman Report:** No Report but Thomas thanked everyone for coming to the December meeting for the District year end accomplishments.
 - b) **Treasurer Report:** As far as the financial situation, the District has an estimated \$103,550.60; most of it is in grant money. Bills for payment and approval in December 2014 Operating bills, totaled \$2,889.94. All grant account approvals for payment in December if added are approved.
Motion: by Costello to approve all bills for payment for December, 2nd by Maine, carried. Motion: by Costello to approve the financial report for November 2014, 2nd by Maine, carried.
 - c) **Correspondence:** Lori Kerrigan, Evelyn Wood and LGA Christmas card, Letter from WC Budget Committee for approval of District Budget for 2015. Letter on culvert permitting and hydrology from NYSWCD, NYS CDEA newsletter cover page Lieberum and Nick on Dry hydrants class, AIM base round 10.
- 4) **Business:**
 - a) **2015 NYACD Legislative Days:** Lieberum mentioned that the 2015 NYACD Legislative Days will be coming up in February, so please let Rhonda know if any board member is interested in attending to support the District's state wide. Lieberum will have the exact information when it

comes to him and he will forward it on to the board members.

- b) **2015 Plan of Work Ideas (will review POW at January Meeting).**
Lieberum mentioned to all please if they have any ideas for the District Plan of Work to be added for 2015 please let him know it will be developed before next meet for discussion and approval.
- c) **District Grant Application Updates,**
Lieberum: At this time we have not had any word in regards to the Lake Champlain Basin Program grants, they should be announced before January. No word either yet on the Hudson River Foundation joint grant with Saratoga.
- d) **The USDA's Regional Conservation Partnership Program (CWICNY and Upper Hudson):** Gilles reported that an announcement for the RCPP grant will be made at any moment. This covers the entirety of the Adirondacks and will be utilized on agricultural projects within the counties. We will have funding for specific projects which will help out our ag producers.
- e) **SWCD Office building-Future County Shelter/Operating Center.**
Motion: by Costello approved to utilize the District building for a future county shelter/operating Center, 2nd by Brown, carried.
- f) **Appointment of Officers for 2015 District Board, Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary/Treasurer, Motion:** by Costello to keep all officers as they are: Frank Thomas, Chairman, Ronald Montesi-Vice Chairman and Rhonda L. Jarvis-Secretary/Treasurer for 2015, 2nd by Wood, carried.
- g) **Other,** Lieberum introduced MARK DUTRA as the 2014 Warren County Soil and Water Conservation District's Conservationist of the Year, Thomas presented Mark with a plaque and coat with the District logo on it as a gift as the District's appreciation of all his hard work with the District in implementing water quality projects in Warren County.

5) **Other Agencies:** Bob Brower, NYSSWC report was reviewed. Gilles spoke on new grants received and partnered with the District. Lender also mentioned what a great relationship LGA and the District has for getting water quality projects up and running and completed in Warren County areas. Dusek mentioned he is happy with the cooperation by the District in many areas need for information and work accomplished.

6) **District Staff Reports:**

a) **James Lieberum, DM,** An Annual Presentation of all accomplishments and work provided by and completed by the District staff and other agencies presented by Lieberum.

b) **Bob Bombard, WRS, NONE**

c) **Dean Moore, Sr. DT, NONE**

d) **Nick Rowell, NRS, NONE**

7) **Adjournment: Motion: by Brown to adjourn Directors meeting at 2:40p.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