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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

February 23rd, 2015

PRESENT:

Frank Thomas, Chairman

Tim Costello, Director

Charlie Main, Director

George Ryan, Director

Mark Brown, Director

Sim Lieberum, DM

Rhonda L. Jarvis, OM

Dean Moore, Sr. DT

Nick Rowell, NRS

Bob Bombard, WRS

- 1) <u>Meeting was called to order:</u> Chairman Thomas convened the Director's meeting at 1:05pm.
- 2) <u>Approval of the previous SWCD meeting minutes:</u> Motion: by Maine to approve the January 2015 minutes, 2nd by Ryan, carried.

3) Report of Officers:

- a) Chairman Report: Thomas mentioned he noticed the Warren County Board of Supervisors resolution for the OTB Envirothon money was passed. That was very quick this year. Rhonda mentioned that is has been received by the District already and in the bank, thanks to Jerry Quintal and the board of supervisors.
- b) Treasurer Report: As far as the financial situation, the District has an estimated \$140,181.97; most of it is in grant money. Bills for payment for February totaled \$2,554.78 and approval of January financial report 2015. All grant account approvals for payment in January if added are approved. Motion: by Costello to approve all bills for payment for February, 2nd by Ryan, carried. Motion: by Costello to approve the financial report for January 2015, 2nd by Ryan, carried.
- c) Correspondence: 1. Ashley Leman will be interning here at the District once a week on Tuesdays for 1/2day starting next week. 2. A NYS map of the watersheds. The Major Watershed Coalitions projects will be based by the watersheds here on out. 3. The Great RC&D council's 2014 summary accomplishments for the District's interest. The District will not be funding the RC&D program but have approved Rhonda to be secretary and treasurer for the Council instead of money. 4. The boat inspection project report for 2014 by David Wick, Lake George Park commission. 5. Denial letter from the Hudson River Foundation on a grant submitted on purple loosestrife co-submitted with Saratoga county.

4) SWCD Business:

- a) **2015 Legislative Days,** The 2015 Legislative Days is March 2& 3rd, 2015, Please let Rhonda know if any of the board members are interested in going to Legislative Days, so far George Ryan and James Lieberum are attending.
- **2015 Annual Plan of Work- Final,** the 2015 Annual Plan of Work has been revised and Thomas will have to sign it, so it can be sent to Bob Brower and the NYS SWCC.
- c) 2014 NYSSWCC Annual Reports, All of the 2014 NYSSWCC Annual Reports have been filed and accepted with the NYSSWCC and Comptroller office.
- d) Tree and Shrub update, The District has sent out all the tree and shrub order forms to all who requested them last year. They also have been placed in all the Warren County Town Halls along with the District's Website. The District has about 25 orders as of today most of the orders come in on the last week of deadline week.
- e) **Farm Talks Update,** This Friday (2-27-15) is another Farm Talks, about Ag assessments and how to take care of cows. It will be held at the NYS DEC office in Warrensburg from 6-8. Please call the office to sign up.
- f) Emergency Stream Intervention Training, Lieberum will be attending this Emergency Stream Intervention training for the MS4 Community on February 10, 2015. If any of the board members are interested please let Lieberum know. It will be held at the Sheriff's office it is a 90minute presentation with a free lunch.
- g) Water Quality Symposium Reminder, Lieberum would like to remind all the board members if you are interested in attending this training please let Rhonda know so she may sign you up. ALSO please make note that the office will be closed Tuesday 3-10 & 11-15 opened 3-12-15 and closed 13th in the am. Scott Fitscher USDA will be here on Thursday to man the office. If any of the Directors may want to man a day just let Lieberum know and we can make the arrangements.
- h) District Grants: Updates on existing projects (DEC, DOS, LCBP, FEMA) Fish Passage and Glen Lake Stormwater Grants final reports has been sent to NYS DEC. English Brook & MS4 grants 4th quarter reports have been submitted for reimbursement. Schroon Lake DOS grant is moving forward, it is trying for Lieberum to get what DOS is wanting from the District for reimbursement paperwork but it is being worked out. And work plans submitted (DEC, LCBP), All the Work plans are being worked on and will be completed by the submit deadline. NYSSWCC work plans have been submitted as of today. Lieberum will keep the board members up to date on the process.
- i) **Other,** 1. Schroon Lake Milfoil project this will be the third year going into it. **Motion:** by Ryan to continue the Schroon lake milfoil project, submitting contracts to AIM Company and invoices and MOU to the three towns, Horicon, Chester and Schroon, 2nd by Brown, carried. 2. **Motion:** by Costello to accept a MOU for the same milfoil project by in Brant Lake, NY and Jim and Matt Simpson to come up with the RFP and have the county

attorney review it and add or change items if necessary and will be approved on the approval from the Warren County Attorney, 2nd by Brown, carried. 3. **Motion:** by Ryan to accept the quote from Glens Falls Printing for the District's Annual Report, they kept the same price as last year, 2nd by Costello, carried.

5) Other Agencies: Scott Fitscher USDA: Presented training for the District Staff and Board Members on Agricultural BMP. It was a great presentation and it will go towards the 2015 annual reporting for staff and Directors. Thank you Scott.

Bob Brower, NYSSWC February 2015 monthly report was reviewed.

- 6) **District Staff Reports:**
 - a) James Lieberum, DM, Lieberum 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) <u>Adjournment:</u> Motion: by Ryan to adjourn Directors meeting at 2:35p.m., 2nd Brown, carried.

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

APPENDIX: A - Treasurer Report

- B Correspondence
- C Partners reports
- D- Staff Reports