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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF **DIRECTORS**

September 30, 2015

PRESENT:

Frank Thomas, Chairman Jim Lieberum, DM Ronald Montesi, Vice Chairman Rhonda L. Jarvis, OM Tim Costello, Director Dean Moore, SrDT Mark Brown, Director Robert Bombard, WRS Tim Costello, Director Scott Fitscher, NRCS

Tom Bielli, DC Fulton County NRSC Nick George, NRCS

Dustin Lewis, Saratoga DM

1) **Meeting was called to order:** Chairman Thomas convened the Director's meeting at 12:40pm.

2) Approval of the previous SWCD meeting minutes: Motion: by Wood to approve the August 2015 minutes, 2nd by Montesi, carried.

3) Report of Officers:

- a) Chairman Report: Thomas Welcoming all guess that came up for the District tour. That started at 10am Westbrook conservation initiative where Walter Lender and Randy Rath, talked about the conservation initiative while we all walked the path, a great project progressing, then to Exit 22 project, to Reardon Farm High Tunnel, to River Road, Thurman project and off to lunch Thurman town hall. Thomas thanked the Staff of the District for cooking the lunch. Thomas apologized for not being able to attend the tour.
- b) **Treasurer Report:** As far as the financial situation, the District has an estimated \$177,514.20; most of it is in grant money. Bills for payment for September totaled \$6,145.84 and approval of August financial report 2015. All grant account approvals for payment in august if added are approved. Motion: by Wood to approve all bills for payment for September, 2nd by Montesi, carried. Motion: by Wood to approve the financial report for August 2015, 2nd by Montesi, carried.
- c) **Correspondence:** 1. A thank you card from the Chris Killough the District summer intern at the District. 2. A training by Amy at the county EMS on winter weather please let Lieberum know if you are interested in attending. 3. The 2015 Asian Clam report is out and 2 new beds of Asian clams has been located but all others are looking great.

4) SWCD Business:

- a) 2016 Draft Plan of Work, Motion: by Montesi to approve the 2016 Annual Plan of Work for the State Committee, 2nd by Brown, Carried.
- b) **2016 SWCD Budget,** This year's 2016 SWCD Budget review with the

County went well with very little questions asked. The budget committee was impressed again with the District budget outline because it is cut and dry and right to the point. They liked the District budget was under 2% with all the additional increases, the committee approved the District budget.

- c) **NYACD Annual Meeting,** The NYACD Annual Meeting will be held on October 20-22 in Utica, NY at the Radisson Hotel. If any of the Board members are interested attending please let Rhonda know so she can register you. Lieberum and Montesi will be attending at this time.
- d) **CWICNY Stormwater Tradeshow**, This years Stormwater Tradeshow presented by CWICNY will be held October 15, 2015 at the Great Escape Lodge in Queensbury. If any of the board members are interested in attending please let Rhonda know so you can be registered.
- e) **Review of Part C requirements,** Lieberum mentioned that the District is in good standing with the state committee Part C requirements as far as the District attendance for trainings is well received.
- f) Updates on existing District grants.
 - **i. Schroon** –5 new drywell have been installed for the Schroon Lake DOS grant and more work will be scheduled as time permits.
 - **ii. English Brook-** This English Brook project Exit 22 has been completed and was on the District tour this am. Exit 22 project was a great project between many organizations and the completion is amazing.
 - **iii. Fish and Wildlife-** this grant will aid the WC DPW with two culverts in Hague and Town of Chester with one.
 - **iv. RCPP-** The District is waiting for the participants to fill out the application for High tunnel funding for the farmers in Warren County. Rowell has 5-8 High Tunnel possible applications for the High Tunnels.
- g) **Other,** 1. Lieberum mentioned that a survey monkey is up on the District's website for the Hazard mitigation plan for everyone in the county to fill out when they get a chance.
- 5) Other Agencies: Bob Brower, NYSSWC September 2015 monthly report was reviewed.
- 6) **District Staff Reports:**
 - a) James Lieberum, DM, No Report.
 - 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 Montesi to adjourn Directors meeting at 1:27p.m., 2nd Wood, carried.

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