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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

March 28th, 2016

PRESENT:

Frank Thomas, Chairman	Jim Lieberum, DM
Mark Brown, Director	Rhonda L. Jarvis, OM/Treasurer
Tim Costello, Director	Dean Moore, SrDT
Evelyn Wood, Director	Robert Bombard, WRS
Charlie Maine, Director	Nick Rowell, NRS
Ron Montesi, Vice Chairman	Amber Paice, NYACD
Craig Leggett, Supervisor of T of Chester	

- 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 February 2016 minutes, 2nd by Costello, carried.
- 3) **Presenter:** Amber Paice, Executive Director of the NYACD. Amber thanked the board for letting her introduce herself as the new NYACD executive director and she is getting to know the District's and their board members one by one. She also thanked the board member and staff on their hard work with all the projects that have been completed in the county.
- 4) **Report of Officers:**
 - a) **Chairman Report:** Thomas mentioned
 - b) **Treasurer Report:** As far as the financial situation, the District has an estimated \$224,309.44; most of it is in grant money. Bills for payment for March totaled \$3,741.55 and approval of February financial report 2016. All grant account approvals for payment in March if added are approved. **Motion: by Montesi to approve all bills for payment for March, 2nd by Brown, carried. Motion: by Wood to approve the financial report for February 2016, 2nd by Brown, carried.**
 - c) **Correspondence:** 1. .
- 5) **SWCD Business:**
 - a) **2015 Annual Report- Complete,** the 2015 annual report are complete and Lieberum has given 25 to Thomas to present to all board of Supervisors at the county meeting. The District has gotten a great response so far in the presentation of the annual report. Rhonda has sent out about 150 last week and Lieberum has emailed over 100, there are about 150 more to be mailed. If anyone would like to take some to place at your town

- halls feel free to.
- b) **2016 Legislative Days**, Lieberum, Thomas and Ryan has attended this event they visited Dan Stec and Betty Little Office and represented one other District's legislative body. They were there to support the added funding to the EPA for District's.
 - c) **2016 NYSCDEA WQS**, Last Week some of the staff attended the NYSCDEA Water Quality symposium training, Lieberum, Rowell and Bombard. This meeting was a week long and well attended from the staff and their classes were very informational. Great training.
 - d) **Tree and Shrub Update**, The Tree and Shrub deadline was last week the District has received a few customers who were late but were able to put them on the list. 94 Orders where received a little low but we make it up on the extra sale the day of pickup which is April 22, 2016 from 8:30 – 6pm.
 - e) **Warren County Envirothon – Status Update**, This year WC Envirothon event will be held a little later on May 4, 2016 at the WC hatchery as always with a lunch cookout for the students and presenters. New supporters were brought on this year which will help our event tremendously. Thanks to the supporters who have sent in their donation support so far.
 - f) **Current Grant Projects updates**, See staff reports on the project updates but at this time District is waiting on the weather to break so a lot of projects are getting set up for when the season starts they can begin.
 - g) **FOIL Request**, Warren County has forwarded a Foil request to our office looking for any water testing analysis around the Warren County Area from our office, Lieberum has search through all of the District records and nothing was found. A letter was sent back to Warren County stating no findings of any water testing analysis in Warren County by the District.
 - h) **2017 Part C- Potential ideas**, Lieberum mentioned that 2017 Part C monies will be much larger than in the past, so he has some suggestions for the board members to think about for the spending of the dollars being received and please Lieberum mentioned if any board member has any other suggestions please let Rhonda know. 1. The Districts' Hydroseeder should be replaced. 2. A possible replacement of the one ton to a larger vehicle to support the tonnage of the Hydroseeder. 3. The County has 8 school districts in the county and the District can present monies to each school district to complete an environmental project at the school like a rain garden or a bird watching patch.
 - i) **Other**, 1. **Motion:** by Brown to approve Lieberum to sign the contracts presented today for AIM on Schroon and Brant lakes for their milfoil projects 2nd by Wood, carried. 2. Flyer on May 26th an Erosion and Sediment control training held by Beth Gilles, LCH/LG regional planning. 3. Flyer on May 12th presented by the Fund for Lake George 6th annual low impact run conference. 4. Flyer on May 14th, Spring Zing, Bombard will be attending that one. 5. Informational pamphlet on Backyard sugaring. 6. Directors to attend a leadership institute 2016 conference July 12-15. 7. An examples of the signage that will be put up at Gurney Lane in Town of Queensbury. 8. Magnets have been ordered for the new vehicle.

- 6) **Other Agencies:** Bob Brower, NYSSWC report was reviewed and Scott Fitscher, NRCS/USDA report was reviewed.
- 7) **District Staff Reports:**
- a) **James Lieberum, DM,** Lieberum report was reviewed.
 - b) **Bob Bombard, WRS,** No Report.
 - c) **Dean Moore, Sr. DT,** Moore's Report was reviewed.
 - d) **Nick Rowell, NRS, Rowell's,** Rowell's Report was reviewed.
- 8) **Adjournment: Motion: by Montesi to adjourn Directors meeting at 1: 58p.m., 2nd Wood, carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

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