

**Black Creek Watershed Coalition
Meeting Minutes**

Date: December 19, 2007

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Riga Town Hall, Multipurpose Room.

Attendance: Jennifer Balonek; Rochelle Bell; Dorothy Borgus; Joe Carr; Tom Ryther, Genesee Land Trust; Judy Spring; George Squires; Pat Tindale; Larry VerWeire; Lyle Warren

Introductions were made; Tom Ryther was welcomed to his first meeting.

Minutes of November 26, 2007, were approved.

The 2008 meeting schedule was distributed and accepted.

George Squires still needs to make contact with the Town and Village of Bergen to solicit committee representation.

Rochelle Bell discussed the FL-LOWPA Special Projects Fund (2007-08) application for grant funds in the amount of \$5,575. The application covered a watershed symposium, a Black Creek Watershed brochure, a Black Creek Watershed newsletter, a Watershed Care brochure and website maintenance and enhancement. The Monroe County Water Quality Coordinating Committee (WQCC) is the applicant on behalf of the BCWC.

Discussion on Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) for watershed counties. Rochelle Bell explained the coalition's history and purpose of the IMA. George should review Charlie's comments on the IMA and get back to Rochelle.

Discussion on MapGuide – Rochelle Bell distributed a spreadsheet which the group reviewed, discussed and revised. Rochelle will update table and send to Jennifer. Rochelle will send Jennifer the lat/long weblink Larry provided.

Discussion on Newsletter – Judy Spring needs articles by mid February – she will send out reminders to individuals who will write the articles. The newsletter will be finalized after the leadership breakfast on February 29th.

Rochelle Bell distributed a list of the watershed's elected officials for review – contact Rochelle if you have any corrections.

Larry VerWeire commented on Joe Carr's service to the Black Creek Watershed Coalition. Everyone thanked Joe for his dedication to the BCWC, congratulated him on his retirement, gave him a bottle of wine made by "Joseph Carr" and happily ate pizza, cake and Dorothy Borgus's famously delicious cookies.