

**Black Creek Watershed Coalition
Meeting Minutes**

Date: February 27, 2008

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Location: Chili Town Hall, Multipurpose Room.

Attendance: Rochelle Bell; James Gamble; Peggy Grayson; David Lindsay; William Wilcox; Chuck Rettig; Tom Ryther; Christine Sevilla; Judy Spring; George Squires; Pat Tindale; Larry VerWeire

Introductions were made; Dave Lindsay was welcomed.

Minutes of January 29, 2008, were approved.

1. Meeting Place: ask Carol to post it each month.
2. Breakfast Meeting at 8:00 a.m. Friday Wheatland Town Hall: 25 people expected including reps from Riga, Churchville and Chili, Oatka Creek watershed (George). George & Judy will bring display board. Didn't get a good response from Genesee County towns. Dave Zorn, G/FLRPC, has made rounds of towns.
3. Public Outreach: Chuck Rettig suggests making a video – committee's role and issues such as drainage. Presented on Cable 12 at no charge. 30 to 60 minutes – 1 or 2 weeks to prepare, could be kept in archives and updated. Purpose – information, awareness, possibly attract new members. Ideas discussed. Committee would provide pictures. Cable is given finished product. Could be used other places.
4. Website: Rochelle –Problems by various members noted. Others had better luck. Rochelle will check into it. All encouraged to try it.

Suggested that next meeting that Carol come, meet at the library and go through it.

*Comment about otters – last release was in 2001. Program has ended. Gentleman who tracked them died recently.

5. Map Guide: Christine Seville gave an update. Feels it needs to be refined and consolidated. Question was asked about listing the acreage. Pat Tindale has a number of them and will get them to Rochelle. Could "birding" be eliminated? Only Reed Road is exclusively birding.

Idea is that a hardcopy be done for recreational use.

Brookdale has trails and allows bow hunting.

Discussion of whether rest room facilities should be listed. Discussion consensus was not to.
(n.b. MC Planning staff member strongly urged us to reconsider this decision. RB spoke with CV and they think a small designation can be included.)

Points of interest – Christine suggested pictures and written descriptions. Possibly put on back.

Scenic Views can be eliminated.

Rochelle asked about putting watershed tips in. Christine noted that it was in a previous brochure and the guide would be more recreational but the other publications could be listed.

Timing – George is not sure when grant expires. Consensus was that it should be finished soon.

Tasks to finish:

- Street addresses or where to park. Members to email to Rochelle.
- Map ID – will be reassigned and go in order – from headwaters from west to east.

Dave concerned with groupings and numbers going in order.

Decided to eliminate 2 groupings. (Parks and nature areas and trails) – Points of Interest.

Some titles taken out.

Might want to list 2 ways numerically and alphabetically or structure like a conventional map without grid lines.

Rochelle will work on writing – using what has been written previously. Time line – needs written information by March 20.

6. Newsletter: Judy Spring has 4 articles, needs 2 more before it is ready to go. Trying to finish before March 20.
7. Display Boards: Last one has not been located – could 5th small board be in Scottsville? Check at meeting Friday morning and at library (Judy).
8. Other Business: Intermunicipal Agreement – between Genesee, Monroe and Orleans Counties.
 - Genesee – Committee in March and legislature the next week.
 - Monroe – Going through process – adoption scheduled for April
 - Orleans – has been passed and signed.
9. Next Meeting: Location? Possibly Mill Seat Landfill. Larry will look into it.

Action Items

- Rochelle – check with Carol to put next meeting location on web site.
- Pat, George, Tom – send acreage and street address/where to park to Rochelle
- All – prepare write-ups of highlights for guide
- Rochelle - will work on guide into
- All – think about what other information/references could be on map guide. Judy will do some of it.
- Rochelle – general watershed information to Christine.
- Rochelle write up on breakfast meeting for newsletter
- Judy – call Dorothy about her write up.
- Judy – checking on display at Scottsville.
- George – IMA will check to see if counties want a copy with original signatures.
- Larry – will check to see if we can meet at Mill Seat.
- Pat – call Nature centers
- *n.b. Chuck R. to pursue the public outreach project. Calling potential committee members.*

Motion to adjourn.

(After meeting suggestion: include Athletics Fields (soccer, multi-purpose and softball) on MapGuide