

Black Creek Watershed Coalition Meeting Minutes

Date: October 29, 2009

Location: Chili Library – Barbara Ireland Room

Attendance: Rochelle Bell, Monroe County Department of Planning & Development; Peggy Grayson, Town of Stafford; George Squires, Genesee County SWCD; Lyle Warren, Churchville Zoning Board of Appeals, Dorothy Borgus, Town of Chili, Tom Ryther, Genesee Land Trust – Brookdale Preserve.

Action Items Underlined

1. Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and approved.
2. Map Guide Distribution. Rochelle reported Christine Sevilla is still handing out mapguides but is starting to run low. There was some discussion about looking for grant funding to print more. It was decided that Christine should continue to distribute them, but our reserve supply is now limited.
Rochelle will try to produce an inventory.
3. EPF Grant/Watershed Planning. Rochelle discussed the October 20, 2009 PAC meeting. There was some concern expressed by Coalition members in attendance that written materials to be discussed at the meetings needed to be distributed in advance. The consensus was that a smoother process was needed to process information and provide adequate feedback.. **Rochelle will email Brian Slack about our concerns with the PAC meeting process.**
4. There was discussion and suggested additions and changes to the draft Coalition by-laws. **Lyle and Peggy will make changes and present a 2nd draft at the next meeting.**
5. There was some discussion about the Coalition “spearheading” an effort to form “Friends of the Park” groups for Black Creek and Churchville Parks and possibly other parks in the watershed. The consensus was that it was a good idea. **Rochelle will solicit interest in forming the Black Creek and Churchville Park groups.**
6. There was discussion about having G/FLRPC staff address any local municipal committees working on comprehensive plans in any of the watershed project municipalities.
7. George mentioned that the Genesee County Highway Department would be installing signs identifying watershed boundaries on highly travelled county or town roads.
8. Next Meeting: Monday, December 7, 2009 – possibly in Churchville or Riga. **Lyle will look into meeting room arrangements. Note: there will not be a November Coalition meeting.**