

**Black Creek Watershed Coalition
Meeting Minutes
May 31, 2013**

Location: Chili DPW

Attendance: Roberta Ames, Churchville PB; Dorothy Borgus, Chili resident; Kevin Donovan, Village of Bergen; Peggy Grayson, Town of Stafford; Tucker Kautz, Monroe County SWCD; Brian Ostling, Chili DPW; Judy Spring, Genesee County Soil and Water; George Squires, Genesee County SWCD

Meeting opened at 5:40 p.m.

Introductions were made and meeting minutes of April 30, 2013, were approved as presented.

Chili Zoning Discussion was deferred until the next meeting.

Map Guide Storage and distribution should go through Brian Ostling at the Chili DPW , where the guides are being stored.

Not-for-profit Status: Lyle is working on the 501-c3. Rochelle is involved in finding out how to open a checking account for the Coalition. The group needs inexpensive legal aid. This will be an action item for the next meeting.

Watershed Planning Update and Finger Lakes Regional Sustainability Plan:

George said Tom Kicior wants to have the Watershed Plan completed in two months. Dave Zorn is working on sub-watersheds, prioritization and a summary of the data analysis. Kicior is looking at municipal law reviews and the other agencies involved, such as DEC, water quality standards, and inventorying all federal state and local agencies. There will be another PAC meeting after these tasks are completed.

The Fingerlakes Regional Sustainability Plan latest draft is April. The April draft is significantly longer and had different focus on energy than the past drafts. The Black Creek Watershed Coalition is listed as an intermunicipal organization. New York Green Genesee Roadmap is being put together in Genesee County. George related he has not come up with a project for which Black Creek Watershed Coalition might request funding. There are no positive criteria for projects that will be accepted and the focus of the task needs to be defined. The Implementation Phase from the Watershed Planning could perhaps bring a project from the Fingerlakes Regional Sustainability Plan to be presented.

Cover Cropping: Tucker spoke on cover cropping assisting in erosion control by farmers along the Black Creek. Covered barnyards and outdoor feed lots with waste water being contained were discussed. Large grazing system with row

crop land turned into grassed areas is another method of preventing negative effects to the creek.

Silage Runoff Project: George spoke of the program being implemented in Genesee County.

Next Meeting: Place TBA, June 24, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.

Parking Lot: Not-for-Profit Status, 501-3C, and Checking Account
Chili Zoning Update