

Black Creek Watershed Coalition

Meeting Minutes

December 16, 2013

Location: Bergen Village Hall
11 North Lake Avenue, NY, 14416

Attendance: Roberta Ames, Churchville Planning Board; Rochelle Bell, Monroe County Planning; Dorothy Borgus, Town Of Chili Resident; Kevin Donovan, Village of Bergen; Peggy Grayson, Town of Stafford, GLOW SWMC; Brian Ostling, Town of Chili Highway Dept; George Squires, Genesee County SWCD; Pat Tindale, Chili Resident; Dena Van Curran, Town of Parma; Lyle Warren, Churchville Zoning Board of Appeal.

1. Introductions:

- Were made and meeting minutes of October 30, 2013 were discussed and approved.
- The correct spelling of phosphorus in the Upper BCWS TMDL section on page 1 was noted.
- Under By-Laws Changes and Application the last bullet was corrected. Should have stated that Lyle “would” advance the fee
- Minutes accepted and all in favor.

2. By-Laws changes and application for 501 (c)(3):

- Lyle Warren stated that the initial directors addresses are correct, just have to double check on L VerWeire’s address.
- L Warren stated he was informed by Julia Garver that amendments would not go into effect until July of 2014 with the state’s approval; advised that we move forward and file by the end of the year.
 - Filing with the state will be a lengthy process including fees of \$75.00 and \$40.00.
 - **A.I. L Warren will send check to Julia Garver’s office for the above mentioned fees.**
 - Roberta Ames suggested asking municipalities to help cover fees, otherwise L Warren said he would cover it.
 - Dorothy Borgus suggested we all pitch in to save time and energy.
 - Rochelle Bell suggested including in the next agenda the above contributed fees as well as L Warren being reimbursed for covering the fees.
 - **A.I. Rochelle Bell suggested adding in reduced flooding under section #3(c), she called for a motion, George Squires seconded the motion, all were in favor to adding reduce flooding, adopt revisions and to double check L VerWeire’s address.**

3. Watershed Planning Update:

- G Squires received comments from Peter Lent on Oatka report.
- **A.I. Rochelle Bell will get an update from the staff at Genesee Regional Planning Committee (C.J. Randall) and will email George the update.**
- I spoke with Dave and here is what I learned about the Black Creek Watershed Management Plan:
 1. The *Watershed Characterization* is done. (see <http://www.gflrpc.org/Publications/BlackOatka/Characterization/BlackCreekWatershed/index.htm>)

2. The *Subwatershed Report* was reviewed by the PAC and has been sent to DOS for their review. 3. The *Regulatory and Programmatic Environment Report* has been reviewed by the PAC and by DOS. DOS had no comments. PAC had a few comments and these are being incorporated into the document. When revisions are complete this document will go to DOS as final.

4 & 5. The next step is to take the actions from these three reports and do Task 17: *Identify and Describe Management Strategies for Watershed Protection and Restoration*. This section should be ready for PAC review late in the first quarter of 2014. This will be followed by Task 18: *Phasing of Management Strategies*. This will be done in the 2nd quarter of 2014. The results from Tasks 17 & 18 will be compiled into a *Watershed Management Strategy Report* and submitted to DOS for approval (this can take quite a long time).

Finally, G/FL will prepare a draft *Watershed Management Plan* where the work of all of the smaller reports (1-5) will be brought together. Once that report is available it will be shared with the PAC and DOS. A Public Information Meeting will be held. This will likely occur late in the third quarter of 2014.

- Here's a link to the final Black Creek Subwatershed report. I have not heard anything on it from DOS even though they got it a while ago.
<http://www.gflrpc.org/Publications/BlackOatka/Subwatershed/BlackCreekWatershedSubwatershedReport.pdf>
- The link to the draft Black Creek Assessment of Local Laws and Practices has not changed. It is at:
<http://www.gflrpc.org/Publications/BlackOatka/Assessment/index.htm>

4. Next Year (2014):

- G Squires has some conflicts with Tuesdays but will use proposed schedule.

- G Squires suggested getting more people involved in committee and municipalities in watershed.
- Roberta Ames suggested a short article in local papers be published stating that BCWS is looking for members; G Squires said a list needs to be put together; Pat Tindale suggested to categorize the piece under Public Interest.
- **A.I. Brian Ostling will talk to Chili Newsletter and find out if we could reserve a possible site at the Chili Fest (July 4, 2014).**

5a. County IMA's:

- G Squires said Genesee County contacted him to renew IMA and resolution may have gone through legislation; Orleans and Monroe Counties signed on, once Genesee signs on then it will be forwarded to Orleans and Monroe; process has begun.
- G Squires stated it is a generic IMA, only needs an updated date and revision.
- **A.I. Rochelle Bell will do resolution.**

5b. Pick Up the Parks (P.U.T.P.):

- Tentative kick off meeting for the 5th annual P.U.T.P. is Saturday April 26th, 2014.
- G Squires said Peter Lent stated the event was going to be done at Oatka Creek Park.
- **A.I. Rochelle Bell will ask Ryan Loysen if anyone is leading Black Creek or Churchville Park and will obtain information on leadership responsibilities.**

5c. Next Meeting:

- Wednesday January 29, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. in Churchville, NY.
- **Roberta Ames will check for Churchville location and availability.**

6. Adjournment:

- R Bell called a motion to adjourn meeting, D Borgus seconded the motion, all were in favor, meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Parking Lot:

- Info Card needs more discussing.