

Black Creek Watershed Coalition
Meeting Minutes
April 28, 2016

Location: Chili Highway Department, 200 Beaver Rd., Chili, NY

Attendance: Dorothy Borgus, Chili Resident; George Squires, Byron Planning Board; Greg Tessmann, Genesee Co. SWCD; Julie Michalko, Churchville PB Chair; Lyle Warren, Churchville resident; Pat Tindale, Chili resident

Meeting was called to order at 5:37 PM by Chairman, Dorothy Borgus.

Meeting minutes of February 22, 2016 regular monthly meeting and joint meeting with Oatka Creek Watershed Committee were approved.

There was discussion on municipal representation for the Coalition.

George mentioned he had an email from Carol Zollweg regarding our website. She suggests that it is time to update to a “more responsive word-press site”. The update would make our website look better and respond more efficiently on modern mobile devices. Carol indicated she knows someone who could do the work if we had some funds to cover the cost. **The committee asked George to check with Carol about what the cost might be. George will also check around to see if there is someone else who might be able to help us.**

There was some discussion on the joint watershed committee meeting. **Greg Tessmann will set up a sub-committee meeting at the USDA Service Center in Batavia on May 26, 2016 (at 2 PM).** There was discussion about printed copies of the watershed management plans (one exists for Black Creek, none for Oatka Creek). **Greg is looking for some funding to print more copies.** We also discussed other printed materials that might be needed (i.e. plan summary specific to each municipality, etc.) to be determined by the sub-committee.

George reported on a discussion (and site visit) he had with Dave Lindsey regarding the Town of Chili – Union Station Park spray park. Drainage from the spray park is designed to go into a “drainage swale” which flows into Black Creek. There is still some minor landscaping that needs to be finished and the grass seeding needs adequate weather to grow. There was a recent article in the Town newsletter and information on the Town website.

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http://www.townofchili.org/index.php?view=download&alias=1431-town-newsletter-springsummer-2016&category_slug=town-newsletter&option=com_docman&Itemid=172

<https://secure.rec1.com/NY/town-of-chili-recreation/catalog?filter=c2VhcmNoPTI2MzMzMg==>

Lyle Warren mentioned the Churchville Walk-About to be held on June 2, 2016 a From 5 to 7 PM. **We will set up our display on the Library Lawn. Lyle will submit the registration form.**

George had an email from Kevin Donovan regarding a Coalition tour of the Village of Bergen WWTP. The consensus was to attempt to set it up before the next monthly meeting (5:30 PM May 26, 2016) or perhaps June 30, 2016. **George will coordinate with Kevin.**

Lyle Warren had a CHAR 500 (for NYS filing) form for signature by the Chair.

There was discussion about “inland waterway” designation for Black Creek. The Village of Churchville is working with State elected officials to gain such a designation. <http://www.dos.ny.gov/opd/programs/WFRevitalization/LWRP.html>

Next meeting – May 26, 2016 meeting to be held at Village of Churchville office, 23 East Buffalo Street, next to Black Creek.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 6:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted, George Squires

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