Black Creek Watershed Coalition Meeting Minutes January 26, 2017

Location: Chili Highway Department at 200 Beaver Road, Chili, NY

Attendance: Dorothy Borgus, Chili Resident; Brian Ostling, Chili DPW; George Squires, Byron Planning Board; Chuck Rettig, Chili Resident; Dan Street, Town of Bethany Town Board; Lyle Warren, Churchville ZBA; Josh LaFountain, Monroe Co. SWCD

Meeting was called to order at 5:32 PM by Chairman, Dorothy Borgus

Meeting minutes of December 29, 2016 meeting were approved with a correction.

Willowbank Drive grant application-Village of Churchville

Josh LaFountain gave an overview of the project and grant application that had been prepared by his office – Monroe County SWCD. Source of the funding is Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) Urban Watershed Management Implementation.

County IMA

There was discussion on the revised Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) between the four counties in the watershed. George proposed a revision to reflect the completion of the watershed management plan and begin the signature process all over again. On a **motion** by Lyle Warren and a **second** by Chuck Rettig, the **revised IMA was approved and recommended to be submitted to all four County Agencies to process through their individual County Legislative organizations (Wyoming County Board of Supervisors and Genesee, Monroe, and Orleans County Legislatures).**

Monroe County DES representation

George mentioned that he had an email exchange with Andy Sansone from Monroe County DES. Andy has a conflict with our meeting night – he is a member of the Monroe County Cooperative Extension Board that meets the same time. He offered that perhaps another DES staff person could attend our meetings in his place. The consensus of the group was "that would be fine".

Citizen Water Quality Monitoring and Adaptive Management grant application

George mentioned an email from George Thomas about a grant application submitted to the Great Lakes Research Consortium to support the Citizen Water Quality Monitoring project. The project is a collaborative effort between the Oatka Creek Watershed Committee, Black Creek Watershed Coalition, and SUNY Alfred.

Next Meetings

February 16, 2017, @6:00 pm - joint watershed committee meeting with Oatka at Churchville Village meeting room. February 23, 2017, @5:30 pm - monthly meeting at Churchville Village meeting room.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted, George Squires, Secretary

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