

Black Creek Watershed Coalition

Meeting Minutes

January 25, 2018

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

Attendance: Dorothy Borgus, Chili Resident; Brian Ostling, Chili DPW; George Squires, Byron Planning Board; Julie Michalko, Chair, Village of Churchville Planning Board; Kevin Donovan, Deputy Mayor, Village of Bergen; Erin Magee, Monroe County DES; Lyle Warren, Village of Churchville; Pat Tindale, Chili resident; Josh LaFountian, Monroe Co. SWCD.

Meeting was called to order at 5:35 PM by Chairman, Dorothy Borgus

Meeting minutes of November 30, 2017 meeting were **approved with corrections**.

IMA Update

George said he had not heard any news on the progress of the IMA. He asked if anyone had confirmation that the Monroe County Legislature had authorized signature. Those in attendance indicated they have not heard anything. Dorothy will contact Legislator Steve Brew and Erin will check with her sources.

Joint watershed sub- committee

No news

Website hosting invoice

George reported he had received an invoice for website hosting and domain name renewal from Rochester FreeNet. The amount of the invoice was \$70 and George reported he had requested payment by Genesee County SWCD as they had done this in the past. George received an email indicating they would not pay the invoice and they offered several suggestions. We should update our website (there has not been anything new in a while – including meeting minutes). We should consider other “social media” sources. Look for a free (for non-profits) web hosting service. George said he has been in contact with Carol Zollweg to add 2017 meeting minutes and the PDF of the Municipal Workshop presentation. He also indicated the invoice was paid with a donation from an anonymous donor.

Citizen water quality monitoring

Pat reported she had sampled this morning. She said it seemed phosphorus was always high at the Mill Creek sampling site. She also mentioned that water levels were high this morning. She has noticed log jams at the site and there was some discussion about the Town’s role in removing logs and debris from the stream.

G/FLRPC mentoring program

Brian mentioned he has agreed to participate in the project but nothing much has happened to date.

Grants

Josh reported Monroe County SWCD had been awarded a WQIP grant for a portion of the Willowbank Drive – Village of Churchville project. Two phases of the original project will be funded. The third phase which involved dredging behind the dam was not funded.

Next Meetings

Our next meeting will be on February 22, 2018 @ 5:30 pm –Village of Churchville Meeting Room, 23 East Buffalo Street, Churchville, NY

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
George Squires, Secretary

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