

## Meeting Minutes March 18th, 2025, 3:30 PM

Oneida County Dept of Public Works Building 5999 Judd Road, Oriskany, NY

## **Coalition Attendees**

Jim Darling (V/O Clinton) Kyle Tritten (V/O Whitesboro) Gina LaMonte (T/O Paris) Marvin Martin & Steve Messenger Stephanie Wurz (City of Utica) Joseph Morosco (V/O Yorkville) Joshua Dahlin (HOCCPP) Kristin Campbell (HOCPP) Payton Reese (OC SWCD) Ron Beach (T/O Schuyler)

<u>Members Not In Attendance –</u> Town & Village of New Hartford, Oneida County DPW, Town of Deerfield, Town of Westmoreland

Chairperson Dave Glenn called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM by leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Through Roll Call, it was determined that the group had met the quorum requirements, as 62% of the members were in attendance.

The Chairperson asked for a review/comments/follow-up regarding the January minutes. Josh asked the group if we should read them line by line, and the consensus was that it wasn't necessary. One correction: The mapping grant project will begin in May 2025.

The Chairperson asked for a motion to approve the January 2025 Minutes. The village of Whitesboro moved to approve the minutes, seconded by the city of Utica. All members of the group were in favor.

The Chairperson then proposed the 2025 MVSC meeting dates. A member recommended that the group not meet in July due to vacation schedules. Whitesboro moved to approve the proposed calendar without July, Paris seconded the motion, and all members were in favor 2025 MVSC Calendar

- March 18th, 3:30 to 4:00 PM
- April 15th, 3:30 to 4:00 PM
- May 20th, 3:30 to 4:00 PM
- June 17th, 3:30 to 4:00 PM
- July -No meeting
- August 19th, 3:30 to 4:00 PM
- September 16th, 3:30 to 4:00 PM
- October 21st, 3:30 to 4:00 PM
- November 18th, 3:30 to 4:00 PM
- December 16th, 3:30 to 4:00 PM

The Chairperson then asked for feedback/comments or questions regarding each member's progress on the Stormwater Annual Report. With no general response from the group, Josh asked if the City of Utica would share their progress. They report that it is generally complete, including their first Stormwater

Management Plan (SWMP). Additionally, the city had begun updating its Construction Stormwater protocols to reflect the newest version of the permit GP-0-25-001 (from GP-0-20-001), which became effective March 16th, 2025. This process occurred while the city underwent an MS4 audit by the EPA. The chairperson asked if anyone wished to offer anything further, but there was no response from the group.

Josh provided a document from the GP Stormwater permit regarding public input requirements and asked if the group had any questions about this process. The group declined further discussion.

Kristin reviewed the map grant meeting with HOCCPP and OC GIS staff on Thursday, March 6<sup>th,</sup> to discuss the mapping grant project. Rick Reichert, Deputy Commissioner of Planning, and Jenna Webb, GIS Coordinator, agreed that we currently have the staff to map various connections, points of outfalls, and catch basins, etc., within the municipalities of Clinton, T/O New Hartford, Whitesboro, Whitestown, Oriskany, and Paris.

Josh updated the group on the checking account status and explained that the M&T Bank account had been opened under "Mohawk Valley Stormwater Coalition." Account signups will occur during the coming months.

The Chairperson presented the 2025 "Proposed Budget" to the group and explained that "this must be considered for 30 days. Next month, we will vote on it." When approved, each municipality will be invoiced separately, which should be paid before the end of the calendar year. The goal of the MVSC is to be flexible, as budget timelines vary greatly among Towns, Villages, Cities, and Counties.

Josh and Kristin provided a handout on the minimum control measures (MCM) and how the group would address the control measures. She explained that the role of HOCCPP would provide expertise with MCM I, MCM II, and a portion of MCM VI (administering the mapping grant). MCM III, IV, V, and most of VI are each municipality's responsibility to address and to provide discussion and understanding to the MVSC. Please provide us with information regarding the topics you wish to discuss over the year.

Kristin discussed how "Digitaltowpath.org" will begin to be phased out from Oneida County over the next year. We hope to transfer information hosted on this site to the new MVSC website; however, many municipalities use Digitaltowpath.org as their primary municipal website. It was mentioned that, according to New York State, all municipalities must transition to a ".gov" website address. Based on our feedback, this doesn't seem to be a priority of the municipalities. Members agreed that this should be discussed at their municipal meetings.

## Next meeting date: Tuesday, April 15th, 2025

At 3:32 PM, Whitesboro moved to adjourn the meeting, with Paris seconding the motion. All members were in favor.