

# **Meeting Minutes**

August 19, 2025 3:30pm

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

## <u>Attendees</u>

Elizabeth C. Tantillo (V/O Clinton)

Dave Glenn & Mark Bradbury (T/O

Whitestown)

Gina LaMonte & Marvin Martin (T/O Paris)

Steve Messenger (V/O Clayville)

Stephanie Wurz (City of Utica)

Nicole Bourgeois (OC WQ/WPC)

Ron Beach (T/O Schuyler)

Kristin Campbell & Joshua Dahlin & Hanna

Sauberan (HOCCPP)

Chris Burtch (V/O Oriskany)

Kyle Tritten (V/O Whitesboro)

Chairperson Dave Glenn asked for any clarifications or comments on the June 2025 minutes.

The Village of Whitesboro moved to approve the June minutes and was seconded by the Town of Whitestown. All members of the group were in favor of the proposal.

#### **Housekeeping**

Kristin C. reported that two-thirds of the members have already paid the membership contributions and if you had not received an invoice to speak with your chief elected official as they were sent to their attention in July.

Two recently forwarded emails were discussed containing information about the next MS4 Operator Forum on September 24<sup>th</sup> and the Operators Forum contact list update from Blue Neils, Saratoga Cornell Cooperative Extension. The contact list update email will be forwarded to the group again for those that missed it.

Future meeting date frequency was discussed as the group has been meeting monthly the past year. Members discussed meeting every other month and slowly transitioning to a quarterly basis. After a brief discussion, it was agreed that there would be meetings in September, October, November, January, and March. Taking a break in December and February when it is a busy time with plowing and snow removal.

## **Progress Reports**

There was a reminder that the 18-Month Interim Progress Certification Form is due October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

#### MCM1: Public Education and Outreach

Kristin presented draft informational graphics, which would help address public education and outreach. These graphics showcase how water flows through the drainage systems and tips on how to keep stormwater safe and clean. Links will be posted on the Coalition webpage so municipalities can connect to their webpage. Members can use the graphics in different ways such as sending it out with the water bills, posting them on websites or posters in their municipal buildings.

There was discussion on the use of the graphics and format. Stephanie Wurz brought up that depending on where it is posted, people may or may not see it. For example, less people may see it posted on the website unless they often frequent the page. On the other hand, people may pick up on small tips from the guide if they see it with their water bill. Kyle Tritten mentioned hand delivering the graphic when workers notify hotspots or making door hangers and Chris Burtch also brought up adding the fine/cost of bad stormwater practices for people to recognize the monetary value. Members suggested adding geese as a contributor to contamination.

Kristin said she will bring these comments back to the office and will have updated graphics for the next meeting. Other graphics in the series will be created to address specific problems, such as dog waste and proper trash disposal at businesses, which could then be handed out at yearly business inspections.

# **MCM 2: Public Participation**

It was confirmed that contact information for the Stormwater Coordinators has been added to the Oneida County Planning Department website, under the Mohawk Valley Stormwater Coalition tab.

## MCM 3: Pollution Prevention/ Good Housekeeping

Kristin C provided an update on the mapping grant. The workplan was submitted to NYS DEC for approval so a final contract can be executed. Chris B. provided a contact for Oriskany for GIS staff. Kristin then discussed the data collection strategy, with two collection teams of two people working out in the field for two days each week. The goal is to start collection in late September. GIS staff is analyzing the current data and finding any gaps in the information to better plan staff time.

The next meeting will be held on September 16th, 2025.

A motion to adjourn from the Chris Burtch was made, and Mayor Tantillo seconded the motion. All members were in favor.