



MEETING MINUTES
February 20, 2025, 4:30 PM

Westmoreland Town Offices, 100 Station Rd., Westmoreland, NY 13490

Present

Jamie Bechy (V. of Waterville) *
Larry Stern (V. of Waterville) *
Chris Burtch (V. of Oriskany) *
Elizabeth Tantillo (V. of Clinton) *
Chuck Hebbard (T. of Westmoreland) *

Alyssa Flint (Ramboll)
Jake Voelker (NYSDOT)
Payton Reese (OCSWCD)
Kristin Campbell (HOCCPP staff)
Jeff Rehler (HOCCPP staff)

*Authorized or alternate voting representative

J. Bechy opened the meeting at 4:34 pm.

Meeting Minutes

The following meeting minutes were tabled due to lack of quorum:

- December 2024
- January 2025

FEMA BRIC DTA Program

The FEMA BRIC DTA program has been paused by the federal government. The BRIC grant program remains open and applications are due to DSHES by 2/28/25. FEMA BRIC DTA program consultants CDM Smith have provided partially complete grant application files to HOCCPP. HOCCPP staff will pursue completing 4 grant applications for scoping studies. These are basic data collection/planning studies to understand issues and inform strategies for addressing them.

- Valley Road Bank Restoration – Whitestown, Oriskany
- Sediment and Debris Management Study for Big Creek – Sangerfield, Waterville, Marshall
- WWTP Bridge Replacement – Waterville
- Sanford Ave. Storm Water Drains – Clinton

EFC Green Innovation Grant

HOCCPP intends to apply and is currently reviewing past planning reports to find potential project matches for OCWC member municipalities. This is a 90%/10% match. Applications are due 4/11/25.

Resilient Watersheds Grant

HOCCPP intends to apply and is currently reviewing past planning reports to find potential project matches for OCWC member municipalities. This is a 90%/10% match. Applications are due 6/6/25.

Mohawk Watershed Symposium – Ramboll/Oriskany Creek Watershed Study

Shaun Gannon (Ramboll) will present at this scientific conference, discussing the recently completed Oriskany Creek Watershed Study research methods and findings.

OCWC Bylaws – Officer Elections

OCWC can elect a new chair and treasurer/secretary once they have quorum. The Bylaws state this should occur each calendar year.

Treasurer's Report

The balance in the Commission's bank account as of January 31, 2025 was \$29,431.95. Approval was tabled due to lack of quorum.

Member Reports

Westmoreland – C. Hebbard discussed progress on the school field flood mitigation project. The project is using OC Flood Mitigation grant funds and require coordination with OCDPW. Construction is expected this summer.

Oriskany – C. Burtch mentioned the Village is awaiting responses on various grant applications concerning the creek area, fishing pier, walking trails, and mitigating damage to railroad ROWs.

Other Business

P. Reese mentioned plans for a 4-hr Erosion & Sediment Control Training. It is tentatively scheduled for 4/10/25 at the OCDPW 1st Floor Conference Room in Oriskany.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held March 20, 2025 at the Waterville Village Offices at 4:30 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 5:03 pm.