

Sauquoit Creek Basin Intermunicipal Commission

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MEETING MINUTES

March 19, 2024

4:30 PM

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

Present

Chairperson Dave Glenn (T. of Whites town)

Kyle Tritten (V. of Whitesboro)

Rick Sherman (T. New Hartford)

Chris Burtch (V. of Oriskany/ OC)

Nicole Bourgeois (OC DPW)

Dan Appler (OC E-911)

Dave Babowicz (OC DPW)

Jake Voekler (NYS DOT)

Maggie Reilly (Ramboll)

Kristin Campbell (HOCCPP Staff)

Madalyn DeCarr (HOCCPP Staff)

The meeting was opened at 4:30 pm by Chairperson Dave Glenn. Approval of the February 20, 2024 minutes was tabled due to a lack of quorum.

Sauquoit Creek Flood Plain Restoration and Bank Stabilization Program Update

Maggie R. provided a brief update on the projects in the Town of Whites town. Project 1 has a tight budget using FEMA funds to complete all the required repairs. Oneida County cannot do the work as getting into the creek is a concern. A new cost estimate is needed to see what other funding can be secured. Project 3 involves the purchase of land with the Forest Conservation Grant along with the enhancement of Project 2. The town is looking to work on the enhancement in 2024 as there are no required permits from NYS DEC.

The cooperative agreement between the Town of Whites town and USDA NRCS for the home buy-out program has been signed. Once that agreement is signed, the Town can take more control of the project and will be sending communication to participants about upcoming milestones in the next week. Once titles are cleared, home closings will be starting this year and demolition in the next year. Maggie informed the group that a consultant will be in the neighborhood taking pictures of all the homes as part of the cultural study.

MS4 Coalition

Kristin did not have any new updates.

Treasurer's Report

The balance in the Commission's bank account is \$126,246.87. There were no new bills. Approval of treasurer's report was tabled due to a lack of quorum.

Other Business

Project List

Kristin handed out an updated project list for members to review. There was discussion about adding the Chenango Road bridge project to the list. The reason for the update is to make sure members are thinking about future grant opportunities and as a Commission are prepared to support communities on working to make the watershed more resilient.

Training Event

Oneida County Planning Department will be hosting a presentation on March 27, 2024 at 3pm at 321 Main Street, Union Station, 3rd Floor on tools from the US Census such as Community Resiliency Estimators and OnTheMap for Emergency Management. Call her office to RSVP.

Member Reports

There were no member reports.

The next regular meeting date is April 16, 2024 at 4:30 at the Oneida County DPW.