



MEETING MINUTES

May 20, 2025

4:00 PM

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

Present

Chairperson Dave Glenn (T. of Whitestown)
Stephanie Wurz (City of Utica)
Joseph Morosco (V. of Yorkville)
Kyle Tritten (V. of Whitesboro)
Tom Hughes (V. of New Hartford)
Steve Messenger (T. of Paris)

Marvin Martin (T. of Paris)
Jake Voelker (NYS DOT)
Don Bathke (Public)
Chris Burtch (V. of Oriskany)
Kristin Campbell (HOCCPP Staff)

The meeting was opened at 4:10 pm by Chairperson Dave Glenn.

- Approval of the January 21, 2025 minutes were approved unanimously, following a motion by Kyle T. and second by Tom Hughes.
- Approval of the March 18, 2025 minutes were approved unanimously, following a motion by Stephanie W. and second by Kyle T.
- Approval of the April 15, 2025 minutes were approved unanimously, following a motion by Joseph M. and second by Kyle T.

Sauquoit Creek Flood Plain Restoration and Bank Stabilization Program Update

Chairperson Glenn provided a quick update to the group on the status of Whitestown projects. The first five properties were closed on by the Town of Whitestown recently in the NRCS buyout program. The Town of Whitestown is working on the next 5-6 closings as they learned from the first batch of closings. Once they have gone through the process, things should move a bit faster. Currently they are working on vacant properties.

Project 3 is in the process of permitting and Project 4 will be a mix of smaller items left to be done in the Town of Whitestown. The Town will be going in for state grant funding to complete those final projects.

Treasurer's Report

The balance in the Commission's bank account is \$150,522.13. Motion to accept the treasurer's report made by Kyle T., second by Stephanie W.

Member Reports

Chairperson Glenn asked members to report on any issues from the recent month of rain and local heavy rain events in the area. Whitesboro along Sauquoit Street had some water but it stopped near Ablet which is a change since Project 2 near the CSX tracks was completed. In the Village of Yorkville there was water near Bruno's Way, Coventry Ave, Trinity and Baylis Ave. There was a discussion about channels that need to be cleaned by CSX that may alleviate some of the water during water events.

Kyle T. mentioned there is a gravel berm near the WWTP that is now level with the stream banks. There was a discussion about who would be responsible for this material. Members also mentioned that there was a tree down in the creek on the south side of the Main Street Bridge that snapped off and was not accessible to remove from the water.

Other Business

Kristin reminded members about the NYS DEC Resilient Watershed Grant Program (RWG) due on 6/6/25. Utica has hired Ramboll to complete the grant application for the Sunnyside and Brookline Project. Members voted to have the engineer bill the SCBIC for work on the application. A motion by Kyle T. to pay for the grant application fee for the City of Utica, second by Tom Hughes. Motion passed anonymously.

The next regular meeting date is **June 17, 2025 at 4:00pm** at the Oneida County DPW.