



MEETING MINUTES
September 22, 2026, 4:30 PM

Westmoreland Town Offices
100 Station Road, Westmoreland, NY 13490

Present

Chairperson Chris Burtch (V. of Oriskany)
Roger Potenski (T. of Westmoreland)
Dave Glenn (T. of Whitestown)
Colin Idzi (V. of Oriskany Falls)
Larry Stern (V. of Waterville)

Aaron Barnes (V. of Clinton)
Alyssa Flint (Ramboll)
Kristin Campbell (HOCCPP staff)
Hanna Sauberan (HOCCPP staff)
JP Dillon (HOCCPP staff)

Chairperson Burtch opened the meeting at 4:30 pm.

Meeting Minutes

As quorum was not met, the discussion and approval of the May 19, 2026 meeting minutes were tabled.

Organizational Discussion – Meeting Location

Chairperson Burtch opened the discussion about changing the date and time of the OCWC meetings to the same day as the Sauquoit Creek Basin Intermunicipal Commission meetings. Both groups have similar agenda items and overlapping memberships. In the future there could be a combined watershed meeting or group including reinstating the County's Water Quality Coordinating Committee (WQCC). This would need to be further discussion with the members of both Commissions. The members agreed to move the location of the October meeting to the Whitestown Town Offices at 4pm following a motion by Dave G. and seconded by Roger P.

2026 Member Contributions

Members discussed the proposed 2026-27 member contributions. One error was noted and an updated proposed budget will be available for the October meeting.

Treasurer's Report

The balance in the Commission's bank account was \$43,421.51. As quorum was not met, the discussion and approval of the Treasurer's Report was tabled.

Member Reports

Westmoreland:

The Town of Westmoreland is reviewing codes and regulations to ensure that they are being enforced, especially for proposed projects that may impact the watershed. There was a discussion on how communities are reviewing projects and enforcing regulations, such as through GML 239 referrals to the Oneida County Department of Planning.

The Town is also reviewing their budget and looking to replace their salt shed. Special consideration has been given due to the well located at the highway garage.

Oriskany:

The Village of Oriskany is reviewing current regulations. There was a discussion on performing a land use analysis for Oriskany Creek and Big Creek in order to review the members' zoning regulations and land uses along the Creeks to ensure development would not negatively impact the watershed.

Other Business

Kristin C. said Britt Westergard from NYS DEC Mohawk River Basin Coalition is scheduled to come to the next OCWC meeting to discuss the Mohawk River Basin Action Agenda and future grant opportunities.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on October 20, 2026, at the Whitestown Town Offices at 4:00 pm.
The meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.