

Canandaigua Lake Watershed Commission

MINUTES OF THE June 14, 2022 MEETING

Commissioners / Alternate:

Marty Aman, Village of Palmyra
Mark Fargo, Village of Rushville
Mike Gonzalez, Village of Newark
Jim Morse, Town of Gorham
Jim Sprague, PE, City of Canandaigua

Other Attendees & Guests:

Jamie Noga, Watershed Inspection Office
Tyler Ohle, Watershed Inspector
Megan Webster, Ontario County SWCD

Meeting called to order at 9:00am

Minutes of March 15, 2022 Meeting: Motion to approve made by M. Fargo. Seconded by J. Sprague. Carried.

Watershed Inspector's Report: New construction plans have not slowed, there are many repair plans to review, plus many additions to homes associated with plan reviews. Inspections related to 5-year inspection requirements are also keeping Mr. Ohle busy. He listed numerous sites with direct discharges or failing tanks, and one with a cesspool. Several problems were close to the shoreline. There was also a surface outbreak in Middlesex, an oil spill he and others responded to on East Lake Road, and yet another sewage issue at Fallbrook Mobile Home Park. Regarding the long failed system on Route 247 in Gorham, the sewage outbreak stopped, but the new system isn't installed. The residence might be vacant. There was also a brief discussion about equipment Mr. Ohle is using.

OWTSIT Update: The Onsite Wastewater Treatment System Inspection Tracking (OWTSIT) project is still progressing, per Ms. Webster. Bergmann Associates continues to have a project completion date in July. FLOWPA's portion of project funding was received. Commission and District will provide remaining funds.

2023 CLWC Budget and Finances in General:

Motion to accept 2023 Watershed Inspection Program budget as submitted made by J. Sprague. Seconded by J. Morse. Carried unanimously. Ms. Webster thanked Commissioners.

Employee Recruitment and Retention Plan: Ms. Webster shared that the Conservation District has collected research to establish a pay scale structure for full-time District employees. She compiled county, state and federal options for review. A sample federal pay scale table was passed around. Longevity, merit-based and COLA increases are factors. Following approval by the SWCD, it will eventually be presented to the CLWC for consideration regarding the Watershed Inspector position. The 2023 budget will not be affected by this. Mr. Sprague expressed interest in the information. Ms. Webster will forward it.

WI Vehicle: The auction including the former Watershed Inspection truck will end later today. Motion to authorize Ms. Webster to complete sale of 2019 Nissan Frontier truck once bidding concludes and deposit proceeds into WI Vehicle Fund made by J. Sprague. Seconded by M. Gonzalez. Carried.

Request made by M. Webster to purchase flushable tracers, gloves, etc. with a total amount not to exceed \$500. Motion by M. Fargo. Second by J. Morse. Carried.

Agency Reports + General Discussion:

SWCD has been very busy with soil erosion and sediment control projects, including some in the Canandaigua Lake Watershed. An interactive overview of all recent projects is available on the District website. Grant applications also include proposed projects within this watershed. Hemlock woolly adelgid treatment continues. Group discussed lead.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by M. Fargo. Seconded by J. Sprague. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:30a.m.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at 9:00am