

Stormwater Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 10, 2022 @ 2:00pm
Stormwater Coalition Offices

Present: Stormwater Board
Andy Avery- Chair
Kathy Szerszen
Tom Whispel
Chris Doane
Dick Gunderman (2:13pm)
Jessica Verrigni
Jimmie Joe Carl
Nikole Watts

Soil and Water Conservation District – Board
Karen Tillostson (2:13pm)

Andy Avery called meeting to order 2:04pm

Amend April minutes: To add “Adjourn executive session at 3:30pm”

Motion to approve the April minutes as amended: Motion made by Chris Doane Seconded by: Tom Whispel

Finance Report:

- Review April’s Treasurer’s Report to file for audit: Motion by Chris Seconded by Tom
- Elmira Heights and Chemung County have submitted their payment, next months budget will reflect the payments.
- Amend income budget so it shows that Chemung County paid \$186,000.00.
- Amend expense budget, add \$18,600.00 to other expenses reflecting Chemung County payment; Motion made by Chris seconded by Tom.
- Approve List of Bills
 - Motion by Chris, seconded by Kathy. All in favor and carried.

Engineer Report:

- SWPPP Reviews
 - Southern Tier Logistics at Holding Point
 - Four Seasons Storage unit in Veteran
 - Wegmans Parking Lot
- Upcoming:
 - City of Elmira
 - Meals on Wheels
 - Church parking lot
- Culvert sizing for the Town of Catlin on Townley Hill Road
- Erin & Catlin culvert sizing
- Lewis Road Town of Southport
 - DEC Permits
 - Spoke with Margaret at Army Corp getting her the information she requested.

- Hazardous Mitigation grant money available
- Helping Veteran with some grants that they are looking into
- Closing out the Sediment Basin grant at the DPW facility
- Have some monitoring to do at the Hoffman Dam to finish up the project
- Drainage project at the Town of Erin Fire Station
- Christian Hollow Project

District Manager:

- Soil and Water Board voted to send Nikole back to the Stormwater Team full time. All her wages, retirement and health insurance will be covered by Stormwater Team.
- IMA both Stormwater Board and Soil & Water board need to work together to make the new agreement.
- Audit in May will cost \$4,500.00. It was mentioned that Rick is retiring so for next audit we will need to look for a different firm.
- Todd helped on County Rte. 1 and County Rte. 60
- Continuing stream visits

Technician Report:

- Construction Sites Active and/or winding down
 - o Villa's SFH (Village of Horseheads)
 - o Horseheads Hotel- Best Western
 - o Barrington West Lots 54,83, & 84 (Town of Horseheads)
 - o Hilliard Warehouse (City of Elmira)
 - o WellNOW (City of Elmira)
 - o Hunter's Run (Town of Horseheads)
 - o Hulett Well Reclamation (Town of Veteran)
 - o Lant Well Reclamation (Town of Veteran)
 - o Preferred Landscape (Town of Big Flats)
 - o Lot #13 Hibbard Subdivision (Town of Big Flats)
 - o Rte. 13 Connector Road Project (Chemung County)
 - o Mark twain Riverfront Park (City of Elmira)
 - o Fairport Ridge (Town of Horseheads)
 - o Hickory Grove Solar (Town of Horseheads)
 - o NEXAMP Solar Project Yawger Road (Town of Big Flats)
- WQIP Mapping Grant
 - o No Progress
- DRAFT MS4 SPDES General Permit
 - o Virtual Meeting Assemblymembers Epstein & Simpson
- Stormwater Team Budget
 - o No Update
- MS4 Annual Report 2021-2022
 - o Completed annual report and submitted to each MS4 to be put out for public comment. No comments received to date.
 - o Report will need to be submitted by June 1st
- Post construction stormwater inspections performed
 - o U – Haul (Town of Horseheads)

- Hunter Center (County owned)
 - Bush Road Compressor station- 1- pond and 1 – Bioretention
 - Chemung supply – infiltration basin
- Outfall inspections
 - County 18
 - Elmira (T) 8
- 4-hour Erosion & Sediment Control Course held and 55 attended
- Annual meeting- organization and presentation
- Drone video of Catherine Valley Bike path for county website.
- City of Elmira
 - 5th St. & Benjamin St. soil stockpile concern
 - Put together drainage maps for Anchor Glass
 - Washington Street School
- Town Of Big Flats
 - Williams Toyota and Horseheads Pick up Part
 - Illicit discharge complaint investigation of Auto Valet concrete washout
 - Owen Hollow- drainage visit to answer questions
- Town of Horseheads
 - Kohls discusses drainage and the need for maintenance of drainage swales
 - Hickory grove solar farm plan for dewatering site and doing soil restoration to achieve final stabilization
- Village of Horseheads
 - Met with code office and manager regarding future development in the HOST facility
- Town of Veteran
 - Put together cost of installing the sediment basin at the DPW facility in 2021 for Town board member
 - Met with Town board members to discuss Hazard Mitigation grant for Burch Hill Road
- Chemung County DPW
 - Drone photos of compost facility
 - Illicit discharge complaint of concrete washed onto ground Hickory Grove Rd. improvement project. Reached out to county and they addressed item with their contractor.
 - Route 13 connector road project drone photos and inspection

Educator Report:

- Annual Meeting presentation
- Zoom meeting with Assemblymember Epstein
- Walking trail for Chemung River Meeting
- Career Day Notre Dame High school
- Went and got MS4 signatures for the annual report
- Annual report
- Envirothon at Tioga County
 - GST Boces brought 4 teams
- Elmira High School
 - 50 students

- Meeting with Assemblymember Simpson on MS4 permit
- Worked Erin Tire Day
- Cohen After school program
- Made fish order phone calls for people to remember to pick up their orders
- Highway Association Meeting
 - o Spoke about Electronic Recycling Event
- Fish Sale
- Tire Day Registration
- Updating Dam Emergency Action plans
 - o Due to DEC change in staff & adding NRCS
- Farmland protection plan grant
- Road Ditch Trifold

Upcoming:

- Pine City School
- 2 online trainings
- Electronic recycling event
 - o Registration starts on May 24th
- Parley Coburn
- Summer programs
 - o 7 cohesion sites
 - o 3 town of Southport sites
- Working with assemblymember to write a sign on letter to set up a meeting with DEC on the MS4 permit.
- Mapping with Jessica
- Working with USC to get grant money to purchase education books from project WET.
- Clean up project in the city maybe work with probation, Boces and students that need volunteer hours.

Old Business: N/A

New Business:

- Watershed need survey from the NYS Environmental Facility Corporation
 - o Andy suggested to send it to STC Regional Planning & Development Board to fill out
 - Jessica will forward the email to Janet Thigpen
- State Senate amended/ passed the Water Fairness Act
 - o Allows the municipalities to add a stormwater charge for stormwater runoff
- Stormwater board appointments
 - o All the members terms are up in June, the following would like to stay on:
 - Andy (volunteered for 1 year term)
 - Kathy
 - Chris
 - Tom
 - Dick
 - o Andy asked Karen to send the board appointments to Chris Moss for approval

Anything to come before the board:

- Avery made a motion to enter into Executive Session Seconded by Tom
- Executive meeting was adjourned at 3:20pm
 - o No decisions were made

Respectfully submitted by Nikole Watts