

Canandaigua Lake Watershed Commission

MINUTES OF THE June 9, 2020 MEETING

Note: March 17, 2020 meeting was cancelled due to Coronavirus.

June 9 meeting was a conference call for the same reason.

Commissioners / Alternate:

Marty Aman, Village of Palmyra
Mike Gonzalez, Village of Newark
Jim Sprague, PE, City of Canandaigua

Other Attendees & Guests:

Jamie Noga, Watershed Inspection Office
Tyler Ohle, Watershed Inspector
Megan Webster, Ontario County SWCD
Sheryl Robbins, PE, NYSDOH, Geneva District Office

Meeting called to order at 9:00am

Minutes of January 7, 2020 Meeting: Motion to approve made by M. Gonzalez. Seconded by J. Sprague. Carried.

Watershed Inspector's Report: Mr. Ohle has kept busy with a mix of new system or repair plan reviews and completed works notices; routine inspections; meeting new engineers; and work regarding NYSESCCP (NY's version of CPESC).

2021 Budget: The overall budget for the upcoming year is static. Commission decided that since the vehicle fund has a healthy balance (approximately \$40,000), the usual \$6,000 will not be allocated for 2021. Mr. Aman requested clarification regarding monetary change to health insurance. It is because of the circumstances in what coverage Mr. Barden had compared to Mr. Ohle's coverage. Motion to approve budget as presented, with removal of vehicle fund contribution for this year made by M. Gonzalez. Seconded by J. Sprague. Carried.

Update on Local Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems Laws: The Town of Middlesex found out in February that their SEQR was filed improperly so they were unable to adopt the law. Tyler stated that Kevin Olvany offered to help them with that then the coronavirus arose so Tyler will check on the current status. Otherwise, the 5-year inspections are underway for other municipalities.

Agency and/or Association Reports + General Discussion:

Sampling: M. Aman led discussion on changes to sampling plans, noting that costs are up and there may be a change in labs used (Onondaga vs. Erie Counties). PFOA and PFOS sampling parameters were not on the last DOH agenda. They may appear on the August agenda.

NYSDOH: S. Robbins noted that coronavirus related policy prevents her from doing field work.

SWCD: Per Ms. Webster, the District's COVID-related Plan of Operations calls for remote work when possible rather than the office and does permit field work. PPE has been provided and employees are required to perform their own health assessment when they are in the office and/or field. Staff has a weekly conference call Monday mornings and checks in via e-mail other mornings. Things are going as smoothly as possible. The office is currently physically closed to the public, with business being conducted on phones and via e-mails.

Mr. Ohle was congratulated for receiving a NYS Erosion and Sediment Control Certificate (NYSESCC).

OWTSIT: At Megan's request, the commission agreed to allow Jamie to assist Tad Gerace with entering onsite systems within Ontario County that are not in the Canandaigua Lake Watershed into a database that will be setup in the coming months.

Septic System Maintenance Tips were printed on door hangers and are now being distributed.

Septic Replacement Fund Grant: M. Webster said applications are still coming in. NYS has not released funds since Year 1 of the program though. The current "wait list" has at least 17 properties on it.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn made by J. Sprague. Seconded by M. Gonzalez. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:25am.

Next Meeting:

**Tuesday, September 8 at 9:00am
Call-in or meet at the Hurley Building**

Jamie M. Noga, Recorder