



Sauquoit Creek Basin Intermunicipal Commission

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MEETING MINUTES

May 15, 2018

4:30 PM

Whitestown Town Offices
8539 Clark Mills Road
Whitestown, NY

Present

Dave Glenn, Chair (V. of Whitesboro)
Supervisor Christian (T. of Paris)
Rick Sherman (T. of New Hartford)
Joe Cirusuolo (T. of Whitestown)
Sal Granato (T. of Whitestown)
Supervisor Kaleta (T. of Whitestown)

Larry Felitto (V. of Yorkville)
Vincent Malagese (V. of Whitesboro)
Bob Frieland (V. of Whitesboro)
Dan Appler (OC E-911)
Steve Devan (OC WQ&WPC)
Kristin Campbell (HOCCPP)

The meeting was opened at 4:30 pm by Chairperson Dave Glenn. Upon a motion by Larry Felitto and second by Supervisor Christian, the minutes of the March 20, 2018 meeting were approved.

Whitestown Sauquoit Creek Channel and Floodplain Restoration Capital Project

There was a brief status update on the bench project and discussion on how the project boundaries have expanded. Both the Town and County are working on grant administration which is necessary before the project starts. The first location that will be started is at the top at Dunham Park since this is public land and easements were not needed. Additional sites are being permitted and easement negotiations are ongoing for all 7 phases of the project.

Members of the Commission spoke about the frustration of residents and the need to get more information out there to the public about the status of the project. The Town of Whitestown said they are working on some kind of public outreach at this time.

Supervisor Kaleta explained that he met with State officials at the site this week along with the engineer. The meeting was very helpful for all parties involved.

Sal G. updated the group on the debris and gravel bar at Dunham Manor Park. Some debris has been removed and he is in the process of working with the land owner about access for removing the gravel bar. Past landowners had given the Town permission to access the creek at the old Artic Frozen Foods.

Project List Updates

There was discussion about the project list. No real changes or additions. Kristin explained it was important to have a matrix with projects because often funding opportunities are announced with a short deadline and there is a scramble to get information to the funding agencies.

Treasurer's Report

Kristin reported the balance in the Commission's bank account is \$ 27,803.58. There were no new bills. Upon a motion by Supervisor Kaleta, and second by Larry Felitto the SCBIC unanimously approved the treasurer's report.

Other Business

Members were asked for updates in their communities.

- Yorkville is still waiting for CSX to come and clear out near Bruno's Way.
- Supervisor Christian in Paris reported he was contacted by Assemblyperson Miller about designating the Sauquoit Creek a local waterfront.
- Steve Devan updated the group on the progress on the pump station.
- There was a brief discussion by the Commission members on a proposed automobile dealership within the project area of the flood plain restoration and bank stabilization project on Commercial Drive. A letter from the Commission was sent to the Town of Whitestown Planning Board with comments on how this project would fit into the larger goals of the region to become flood resilient.

The next meeting date is June 19, 2018 at the Whitestown Town Building located at 8539 Clark Mills Road, Whitesboro.