



Sauquoit Creek Basin Intermunicipal Commission

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MEETING MINUTES

November 20, 2018

4:30 PM

Whitestown Town Offices
8539 Clark Mills Road
Whitestown, NY

Present

Dave Glenn, Chair (V. of Whitesboro)
Vincent Malagese (V. of Whitesboro)
Supervisor Kaleta (T. of Whitestown)
Dan Appler (E-911)

Dave Babowicz (OC DPW)
Al Ash (NYS DEC)
Dave Corr (Citizen)
Kristin Campbell (HOCCPP)

The meeting was opened at 4:30 pm Chairperson Dave Glenn. Approval of the October minutes was tabled due to a lack of quorum.

Whitestown Sauquoit Creek Channel and Floodplain Restoration Capital Project

Kristin provided an update on the current status of the flood bench project. The public information session held on Thursday, October 18 at the Whitestown Community Center was well attended. The panel was able to give a status update on construction and allow individuals to bring up any areas of concern. In addition, there was a site walk with the engineer and Town Supervisor at the flood benches at Dunham Park on Monday, October 22. Residents near the project area were able to walk around the site and ask more specifics about construction concerns. A major concern of neighbors is the truck access to the project area during the construction phase. Contractors are looking at several options on how to remove material from the site without disrupting the residential neighborhood.

A ceremonial ground breaking was held on October 29th at Dunham Park. The event was attended by local and state leaders along with a large media presence.

Bids were to be delivered to the Town of Whitestown by November 15. The date had been moved out due to contractors asking questions and the need of more time to research solutions on access. The Town anticipates the award of the contract during the week of November 26th.

Channels at CSX Bridge

Chairperson Glenn gave a brief update. He said that there has been discussion with CSX about the clean-up of the channels. They were not aware of four of the passes particularly in Yorkville and a survey crew has been sent to investigate.

Supervisor Kaleta gave a short update on the design of options being funded by NYS at the CSX bridge. There are 2 potential project phases: a flood bench and the culverts. Currently, a 30% conceptual design is ready for review. There have been some access issues with the land owner that make some of the design work difficult with regards to wetland delineation and archeological review.

Treasurer's Report

Kristin reported the balance in the Commission's bank account is \$ 40,051.83. There were no new bills. The report could not be approved due to a lack of quorum.

Other Business

- Chairperson Glenn asked members to give updates about their community. There was a brief discussion about the old ACEO Study of the Sauquoit Creek in Whitestown from the 1980s. Also, members discussed the work being done along the banks of the Sauquoit Creek in New Hartford/City of Utica border.

The next meeting date is December 18, 2018 at the Whitestown Town Building located at 8539 Clark Mills Road, Whitesboro.