

Sauquoit Creek Basin Intermunicipal Commission

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MEETING MINUTES January 15, 2019 4:30 PM

Whitestown Town Offices 8539 Clark Mills Road Whitestown, NY

Present

Dave Glenn, Chair (T. of Whitestown) Tom Hughes (V. of New Hartford) Supervisor Kaleta (T. of Whitestown) Supervisor Christian (T. of Paris) Vincent Malagese (V. of Whitesboro) Mayor Friedlander (V. of Whitesboro) Dan Appler (E-911) Steve Devan (WP&WQC) Sherry Hierholzer (NYS DOT) Al Ash (NYS DEC) Kristin Campbell (HOCCPP) Two Business owners on Commercial Drive

The meeting was opened at 4:30 pm by Chairperson Dave Glenn. There was one correction to the minutes from December 2018. Tom Hughes was added to the list of attendees. Upon a motion by Supervisor Christian and second by Tom Hughes, the minutes of the December 18, 2018 meeting was approved with the one correction.

Whitestown Sauquoit Creek Channel and Floodplain Restoration Capital Project

Engineer Shaun Gannon and Supervisor Kaleta provided a brief update on the progress of the project. There has been a delay due to looking for a new point of access to remove material that would avoid using Hollywood Drive. Residents voiced concerns at the fall public information session and the site walk. Engineers looked for alternative sites for truck traffic. This proved problematic in that not only would it mean crossing the creek but also getting additional land owner permission. Four property owners were approached for temporary access agreements. Overbrook Group Property was selected to enter into an easement agreement. The property already has a curb cut which will make it easier to access NYS Rte. 5A.

The Whitestown Town Board is meeting this week to remove the contract contingencies about access, adopt the agreement of access with the Overbrook Group and then enter into a final agreement to award the construction contract. The contractor s eager to get started on the work. While the project is about 6 weeks behind the anticipated start date, the responsible action was to incorporate the residents' concerns to come up with a viable alternative solution.

Channels at CSX Bridge

Engineer Gannon explained the status of the CSX project. There are two potential project phases: a flood bench and the culverts. NYS DOT has accepted the 60% design scenario. There have been ongoing discussions with CSX, National Grid and the neighboring property owners. This location is to be Phase 2 of the flood bench project with an anticipated start date of Spring. The location has moved up in priority as the residents of Whitesboro could see a 3-5ft reduction in flood stage if this is built.

Treasurer's Report

Kristin reported the balance in the Commission's bank account is \$40,051.83. There were no new bills. Upon a motion by Tom Hughes, and second by Supervisor Christian the SCBIC unanimously approved the treasurer's report.

Other Business

Steve Devan gave a brief update on the status of the pump station work. Many contracts are being worked on consecutively including the digester and access road construction.

The next meeting date is February 19, 2019.