



EAST OF HUDSON WATERSHED CORPORATION  
QUARTERLY MEETING OF DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS

LOCATION: Business Office: 2 Route 164, Patterson, Suite 2, NY 12563

TIME and DATE: 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, January 7, 2020

**Meeting Minutes**

**1) Open of Meeting at 10:30 a.m.**

Voting Members in Attendance: Peter Parsons (Town of Lewisboro) for himself and for Chris Burdick (Town of Bedford) and Kenneth Schmitt (Town of Carmel); Rich Williams (Town of Patterson); Warren Lucas (Town of North Salem); Vincent Tamagna as alternate for MaryEllen Odell (Putnam County); Matt Slater (Town of Yorktown); Michael Quinn (Town of Yorktown); Michael Preziosi as alternate for Linda Puglisi (Town of Cortlandt); Sam Oliverio (Town of Putnam Valley); Ed Brancati as alternate for Gina Picinich (Town of Mount Kisco); Lauri Taylor as alternate for Robert Liffland (Village of Pawling); Tony Hay (Town of Southeast); Maureen Fleming (Town of Kent); Ivy Pool (Town of New Castle); Sabrina Charney-Hull (Town New Castle)

Others in Attendance: George Rodenhausen (Corporate Counsel); Vincent Giorgio (NYCDEP); Millie Magraw (Westchester County Planning); Kevin Fitzpatrick (EOHWC); Joanne Tavino (EOHWC); Linda Matera (EOHWC)

**2) Pledge of Allegiance**

**3) Approve Meeting Minutes: October 15, 2019**

Motion by Director Parsons, seconded by Ed Brancati to approve the Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of October 15, 2019; all in favor.

**4) Financial Update**

Joanne Tavino reported that there is presently \$1.5 in expenditures for 2019. The current fund balance is \$20 million, of which \$3 million is Putnam WQIP funds, \$5 million is Westchester and \$12 million is FAD.

The current value of investments is \$16 million with \$1 million of that in CDs and the remainder being treasuries. Net income for 2019 was approximately \$179,000. There has been about \$320,000 of net income since the inception of the investment program at end of October 2016.

Joanne asked that any project work or O&M done in 2019 be submitted by the voucher deadline date of January 14<sup>th</sup>.

## **5) List of Reporting and Filing Due Dates**

Joanne reported that there are two lists of Reporting and Filing Due Dates because we are between 2019 and 2020. For 2019 we are only waiting for the O&M at this point. Four towns have submitted and about 12 have not. One week remains to send it in. For 2020, Joanne asked everyone today to fill out their Board Evaluations and Conflict of Interest forms. By May 15<sup>th</sup> we need Financial Disclosures submitted. They are required by every Board member, alternate and staff member. Even if you don't live in Putnam County, you must report to Putnam County because it has to do with the location of the organization. Putnam County will automatically send a link via email for completion.

## **6) Project Update**

Kevin Fitzpatrick reported that pending NYSDEC approval, we are at 563 kilograms of reduced phosphorus for projects that wrapped up at the end of 2019. They will be submitted to the state for approval. We are pushing ahead with a number of projects for the spring and summer. It was requested that towns keep EOHWC involved in any new projects that they are aware of, including any new development that does not have existing treatment so we could incorporate the phosphorus reduction value into the Corporation's program.

In the spring we will be hiring a Watershed Planner to bring on staff. We are currently accepting resumes and our hope is to bring a candidate in for hire at the May Board of Directors' meeting, which will likely be an interim period. The official hire is expected to be presented at the August Board of Directors' meeting.

### **a. Program Summary**

Kevin presented the Program Summary and invited questions.

## **7) O&M discussion**

Kevin reported that we are low on O&M submissions from a majority of towns and requested that documentation be sent in immediately. The hope is to ensure that everyone gets reimbursed appropriately for the previous calendar year. Director Parsons pointed out that Westchester towns are eligible for reimbursement only if their documentation is submitted.

Director Williams added that we are eagerly searching for projects in the Croton Falls and Cross River reservoir basins, so if any towns have watersheds that go into those basins please take a hard look because we are limited with NYCDEP funding until we can get a sufficient number of projects committed to in those basins. Kevin added that to Rich's point, it's a good time to bring up something else that we've had success with so far in meeting with private lake communities that are within these basins. As you are all aware, we have a difficult time getting private property owners to work with us. When we have the lake coalitions that are trying to protect their property values, it's a great opportunity for us to have a discussion with them to see how we can satisfy the need. Those folks might be knocking on your DPW's door or Highway Department's door. Kevin asked that everyone keep their eyes and ears open for opportunities like that in both FAD and non-FAD areas.

## **8) Other business**

Director Williams called a Special Executive Committee meeting to be held immediately following the Quarterly Board of Directors' meeting on advice of Corporate Counsel.

**9) Adjournment – Motion to adjourn by Director Oliverio, seconded by Vincent Tamagna; all in favor. Adjourned 10:39 AM.**



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### PRESIDENT'S CERTIFICATE

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the January 7, 2020 Quarterly Meeting Minutes approved by the Board of Directors.



Richard Williams, Sr., President



Date



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**SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE**

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the January 7, 2020 Quarterly Meeting Minutes approved by the Board of Directors.

JoAnne Daley  
JoAnne Daley, Secretary

5-13-2020  
Date