

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

9:30 A.M., Thursday, August 27, 2026

Meeting Minutes

1) Call to Order

Voting Members in Attendance: Richard Williams, Sr. (Town of Patterson); Robert Scorrano (Town of Somers); Ellen Calves (Town of Bedford); Lauri Taylor (Village of Pawling); Tony Goncalves (Town of Lewisboro);

Others in Attendance: Warren Lucas (Town of North Salem) via Zoom; Millie Magraw (Westchester County); Christine Chale (Corporate Counsel) via Zoom; Cassandra Britton (Corporate Counsel); Kevin Fitzpatrick (EOHWC); Keith Giguere (EOHWC); Linda Matera (EOHWC)

2) Approve Meeting Minutes of July 23, 2026

Motion by Director Scorrano, second by Director Goncalves to approve the meeting minutes of July 23, 2026; all in favor.

3) Financial Update

Keith Giguere reported that, as of July 31, total cash on hand was over \$11,000,000, of which approximately \$9,067,000 represents FAD-related funds. Total outstanding commitments were \$751,000, of which \$296,000 was related to FAD funds.

Keith also noted that there are a couple of outstanding items on the financial statements that have been pending for some time. One relates to the 2024 O&M payment, for which Westchester County has indicated that a check should be received sometime next week. The other relates to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and efforts are ongoing to follow up and determine the status of that payment.

4) Approve Charters

The Executive Committee reviewed and discussed the draft Governance and Audit and Finance Charters. No changes were recommended to the Governance Charter. The Audit and Finance Charter was tabled until the September Executive Committee meeting to allow for amendments as discussed.

Motion by Director Scorrano, seconded by Director Goncalves to approve the Governance Charter of the East of Hudson Watershed Corporation.

WHEREAS, the East of Hudson Watershed Corporation (the "Corporation") wishes to approve the Governance Committee Charter; and

WHEREAS, the Governance Committee Charter is on file with the secretary of the Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of the Corporation has reviewed the Charter and deems its approval to be in the best interests of the Corporation;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, the Executive Committee of the East of Hudson Watershed Corporation recommends that the Board of Directors approve the Governance Committee Charter.

Motion passed; all in favor.

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5) Project Update

Kevin reported that the projects identified in yellow on the Running Project Status spreadsheet are progressing, with most expected to move into construction this fall and some planting work carrying over into the spring.

The project at Waccabuc Country Club in the Town of Lewisboro (L-CR-1001) is currently out for permits and is expected to move into construction this fall. The remaining projects identified in yellow are also anticipated to begin construction in the fall. Kevin noted that the continued intense weather this summer and fall is being closely monitored, particularly because several projects involve large channel stabilization work. The weather has contributed to delays in closing out Kent-MB-1000 with both the engineer and construction contractor.

Kevin stated that schedules are in place for all projects and that October is being targeted as the start date for most construction projects, which should allow the work to proceed after the majority of the intense weather has passed. Overall, the projects remain on track, and the goal is to complete the work, bank the associated credits, and close out Years 1–10.

Kevin also reported that he has not yet begun meeting individually with the towns but expects to do so during September. A large number of new projects are beginning to come forward, many of which are located within the FAD. Kevin noted that the Corporation would prefer to use the newly available \$10 million in DEP funding for projects in non-FAD areas. Following his meetings with the towns, he will assess the relative importance and timing of the projects, including whether any involve an urgent or emergency situation that may warrant prioritization.

In addition to the approved Years 11–15 Workplan, Kevin expects an increase in new projects that were not included in the current Workplan. These include projects that are considered high quality, as well as requests from private property owners seeking assistance. While priority will be given to using the \$10 million for projects in Westchester County outside of the FAD, Kevin anticipates that some FAD projects may also be addressed when circumstances warrant immediate assistance.

Director Goncalves inquired about when the Lewisboro projects are expected to be submitted to the Planning Board. Kevin responded that he met with Ciorsdan and that the projects have already been submitted. The remaining Lewisboro project, L-CR-804 at Lake Waccabuc, requires an adjustment by the engineer and is expected to be presented at the October Planning Board meeting.

6) O & M Program Update

Kevin reported that the reimbursement of the 2024 O&M costs will conclude the Corporation's reimbursement contract with Westchester County for projects that were eligible for WQIP funding

through the County. He noted that this funding has been a great benefit to the Westchester municipalities and thanked Westchester County for working with the East of Hudson Watershed Corporation to establish the reimbursement arrangement.

Kevin explained that, when he meets with the individual towns to discuss the next group of projects, he will also review the town's O&M sites. His goal is to combine these discussions to determine what assistance may be needed with existing sites and what can be done to address issues going forward. As noted at the August Board of Directors meeting, Kevin acknowledged that the summer weather has been particularly challenging for these projects, but emphasized that the sites cannot be allowed to fall by the wayside and that necessary maintenance and repairs must continue to be addressed.

Director Taylor asked whether Kevin would be scheduling visits with the Town Supervisor or Mayor to walk the O&M sites. Kevin responded that a site visit would only be scheduled when necessary. If he is already visiting a particular site and observes an issue, such as a washout, he can address it with the appropriate diagrams and information. However, if a more significant issue is identified, a site walkthrough with the appropriate town representatives would be necessary. Kevin stated that his preference is to meet with the Highway Department and the Mayor or Supervisor to discuss future needs and any issues the Highway Department is currently encountering when maintaining the sites. If those discussions indicate that a site visit is warranted, he would coordinate one with the appropriate individuals. Director Taylor mentioned that she had several project ideas to discuss. Kevin responded that, in that circumstance, it may be more productive to hold the meeting in the field. He noted that the approach will vary from town to town depending on the specific circumstances and needs.

7) Checks and vouchers

Monthly vouchers were signed. No action was taken.

8) Other business

Director Williams informed the board that he and Director Calves met a week ago with two potential candidates for comptroller.

9) Enter into Executive Session to discuss the hiring, firing, or promotion of particular persons, motion proposed by Director Williams, seconded by Director Goncalves; all in favor.

10) Motion to come out of Executive Session proposed by Director Scorrano, seconded by Director Taylor. No action taken in Executive Session.

11) Motion by Director Williams, seconded by Director Goncalves, to make Vanessa Kressman an offer of \$95,000 for the position of Comptroller.

12) Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by Director Williams, seconded by Director Taylor; all in favor. Adjourned 10:13 AM.

PRESIDENT'S CERTIFICATE

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the August 27, 2026 meeting minutes approved by the Executive Committee.



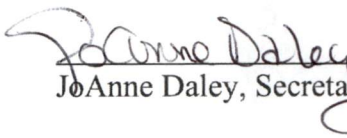
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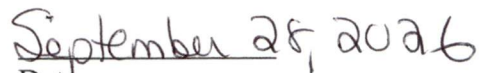


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SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the August 27, 2026 meeting minutes approved by the Executive Committee.


JoAnne Daley, Secretary


Date