

CCWSA BOARD MEETING
MINUTES – May 25, 2022 at 1:00 pm
7413 County House Road, Auburn, NY

Board of Directors

Ben Vitale, Chair David Schenck, Vice-Chair Christie Waters, Treas. (excused)
John Miller (excused) Francis Mitchell Herbert Marshall Andrew Rindfleisch
Robert Shea (2:05PM) Brian Dahl

Administration & Advisors & Misc.

J. Wilson, Dir.; S. Phillips Admin. Assistant; P. Schoonmaker, Sr. Clerk; Riccardo Galbato, Attorney; Doug Selby, Advisor; Mark Colopy, Financial Advisor –Remote; Tim Carpenter, MRB Engineering; Jay Sawyer, CSD2 contractor-Remote

Approval of Agenda- A motion was made by David Schenck to approve the agenda, Andrew Rindfleisch 2nd the motion. The motion was unanimously approved and carried.

Approval of Minutes March 16, 2022- Tabled until June 15, 2022 BOD meeting.

Financial- Francis Mitchell (Audit Cmte. Chair)

A motion was made by Herbert Marshall to pay the bills as presented. Andrew Rindfleisch 2nd the motion. The motion was unanimously approved and carried.

Francis Mitchell- The reconciliation of the checking accounts were completed through April 30, 2022.

A motion was made by Francis Mitchell to approve the reconciliations as presented today. Herbert Marshall 2nd the motion. The motion was unanimously approved and carried.

Public Hearing- Water Rates
Hearing is open to discussion

Public Hearing – County Regional Water District Project SEQRA, Lead Agency Status Update (Tim Carpenter, MRB)

Hearing is open to discussion

SEQRA review, discussion, designation of Lead Agency

The SEQRA review is performed due to the State Environmental Quality Review Act. Projects in New York State have to be considered with certain rules and guidelines to see how they may impact the environment of the state, and the people that live in New York.

Tim Carpenter- We sent out about 60 letters to interested involved agencies around the county and around the state to see if they had any objection to CCWSA being lead agency for the project. We didn't receive any requests for anyone else to be lead agency and there were no objections to CCWSA being lead agency.

A motion was made by Herbert Marshall for a resolution for CCWSA to be declared lead agency for the SEQRA regarding the Cayuga County Regional Water Project. Francis Mitchell 2nd the motion.

There was a roll call vote. Brian Dahl-Yes, Andrew Rindfleisch- Yes, David Schenck-Yes, Francis Mitchell-Yes Herbert Marshall-Yes, Ben Vitale-Yes, Christie Waters- Absent, John Miller- Absent, Robert Shea-Absent. Approved.

Full Environmental Assessment Form, Part 2- Identification of Potential Project Impacts

1. Impact on Land- **Yes** there will be small impacts on land that go along with water projects but do not require further investigating. – See report for breakdown.
2. Impact on Geological Features- **No**, there will be no impact on geological features.
3. Impacts on Surface Water- **Yes** there will be small impacts on surface water- See report for breakdown.
4. Impact on Ground Water – **No**, there will be no impact on ground water.
5. Impact on Flooding- **Yes** there will be small impacts on flooding. –See report for breakdown.
6. Impacts on Air- **No**, there will be no impacts on air.
7. Impact on Plants and Animals- **Yes** there will be small impacts on plants and animals. – See report for breakdown.
8. Impact on Agricultural Resources- **Yes** there will be small impacts on Agricultural resources. – See report for breakdown
9. Impact on Aesthetic Resources- **No**, there will be no impacts on aesthetic resources.
10. Impact on Historic and Archeological Resources- **Yes** there will be small impacts on historic and archeological resources.
11. Impact on Open Space and Recreation- **Yes** there will be small impacts on open space and recreation. –See report for breakdown.
12. Impact on Critical Environmental Areas- **No**, there will be no impact on critical environmental areas.
13. Impact on Transportation- **No**, there will be no impact on transportation.
14. Impact on Energy- **Yes** there will be small impacts on energy. – See report for breakdown.
15. Impact on Noise, Odor, and Light- **Yes** there will be small impacts on noise, odor, and light. – See report for breakdown.
16. Impact on Human Health- **No**, there will be no impact on Human Health.
17. Consistency with Community Plans- The proposed action is not consistent with adopted land use plans- **Yes** it is consistent with adopted land use plans– See report for breakdown.
18. Consistency with Community Character- The proposed project is inconsistent with the existing community character- **No** it is not inconsistent with the existing community character.

A motion was made by Andrew Rindfleisch to close the public hearings. Francis Mitchell 2nd the motion. The motion was unanimously approved and carried.

There is a formal resolution from CCWSA to declare a negative resolution to the impacts on the environment.

A motion was made by Herbert Marshall for resolution to declare a negative declaration for SEQRA. Brian Dahl 2nd the motion. There was a roll call vote. Brian Dahl-Yes, Andrew Rindfleisch- Yes, David Schenck-Yes, Francis Mitchell-Yes Herbert Marshall-Yes, Ben Vitale-Yes, Christie Waters- Absent, John Miller- Absent, Robert Shea-Absent.

Tim Carpenter- We now have a negative declaration and once we get copies of that back it will be published in DEC engineering news bulletin. Next steps will be to form the district and or to pursue funding for the project.

A motion was made by Andrew Rindfleisch for CCWSA staff and Tim Carpenter to go forward with material list and bid process for materials for West Genesee project. The motion was 2nd by David Schenck. The motion was unanimously approved and carried.

Herbert Marshall- I would like for us to not increase the water rates right now, and for us to send a letter to our customers. The letter explaining the water increase we received from the city and for our customers to expect a water increase next year.

There was some discussion about the water rates and what should be done moving forward.

A motion was made by Herbert Marshall to not increase the water rates right now, and to send out a letter explaining that there will be an increase next year based on what our increase was from the city. Andrew Rindfleisch 2nd the motion. There was a roll call vote. Brian Dahl-Yes, Andrew Rindfleisch-Yes, Robert Shea-Yes, David Schenck-Yes, Francis Mitchell- No, Herbert Marshall- Yes, Ben Vitale-No, Christie Waters- Absent, John Miller- Absent, vote was 5-yes, 2-no and 2 absent. Motion was approved and carried.

Herbert Marshall- The legislator passed approval to give CCWSA \$400,000 towards forced main sewer for the Industrial Development Park. They would like our Attorney to work with the county attorney to come up with the language for that, so we all know exactly what it is. I am asking for permission for our attorney to work with the county attorney to come up with a proposal for us to take \$400,000 and to use it towards the cost of the park.

Riccardo Galbato- I spoke with Fred before the meeting and there were two conditions to the grant. One was a memorandum of understanding agreement between both bodies. The second was a letter from the milk plant that they will intend to go forward with their expansion.

A motion was made by Herbert Marshall to have Riccardo Galbato move forward with the county attorney for the proposed agreement for the funds for the sewer project. Andrew Rindfleisch 2nd the motion. The motion was unanimously approved and carried.

David Schenck- There needs to be an advertisement for the Director position. We need to get approval for the budget for the payment for the advertisement.

A motion was made by David Schenck for payment for the advertisements for the Director of Operations position to not exceed \$500. Andrew Rindfleisch 2nd the motion. The motion was unanimously approved and carried.

A call for a motion was made by Francis Mitchell for the quarterly reports January 1- March 31, 2022 to be accepted.

A motion was made by Andrew Rindfleisch to approve the quarterly reports. David Schenck 2nd the motion. The motion was unanimously approved and carried.

Jeanine Wilson- the Centerport Rd portion of waterline completed last fall restoration is being completed.

There is an ongoing discussion with the county attorney and the Sheriff about the sewer line outside the building here on County House Road. There are some issues to be resolved.

Ben Vitale- I would ask that the project committee to review the information regarding the Speedway with Riccardo Galbato.

A motion was made by Francis Mitchell to adjourn the meeting. David Schenck 2nd the motion. The motion was unanimously approved and carried.

Next Meeting June 15, 2022 at 1:00 pm, 7413 County house Road

Respectfully Submitted: Susan Phillips, Administrative Assistant