



May 21, 2020

Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER– Carl Blowers called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM via teleconference, due to NYS public meeting restrictions put in place because of COVID-19.

ATTENDANCE

Chemung County – Tom Tranter, Nicolette Wagoner, Randy Reid, Dawn Burlew, Tom Sweet, Ernie Hartman, David Manchester

Schuyler County – Carl Blowers, Phil Barnes, Tim O’Hearn, Kristin VanHorn, Judy McKinney Cherry, James Ryan

Steuben County – Jamie Johnson, Jack Wheeler, Heather Reynolds, Jenn Miller, Amy Dlugos, Steve Maio,

STC Staff – Chelsea Robertson, Yvonne Terwilliger, Brittany McKerlie, Courtney Cornell, Janet Thigpen, StephanieYezzi, Victoria Ehlen

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – On a motion duly made (Miller/Hartman) and carried, the minutes of the March 19, 2020 meeting were approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUDGET AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

The budget and personnel committee met at 8:30 prior to the 9:00 teleconference board meeting. Mr. Blowers shared with the Board that our auditor, Richard McNeilly, will be at the June Board meeting to go over the audit with us. Also, due to the current pandemic situation the local shares are coming in slower and some state funding is currently on hold.

AUDIT COMMITTEE

1) **Abstract of Claims** – The audit committee reviewed abstracts totaling \$34,272.07. On a motion duly made (VanHorn/Barnes) and carried, the abstracts were approved.

REGIONAL PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

1) **Economic Resiliency as funded by EDA** – Chelsea told the Board that STC has been invited to apply for \$400,000 of non-competitive CARES Act funding to support technical assistance for regional economic resiliency strategies. Chelsea has had calls with all three County IDAs and Three Rivers to discuss their needs and ideas of how we will spend the money in a way that would be mutually beneficial and provide necessary data on the state of the economy and any necessary data to determine how best to recover from the current situation.

2) Intergovernmental Reviews – Janet Thigpen

2011 NYSDEC Cooperating Technical Partners Grant Application for Flood Mapping

Project Applicant: NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

Description: This is a four year project to develop and support planning level flood hazard data for the National Flood Insurance Program in the Chemung, Tioga, Susquehanna, and Chenango river watershed. This won't result in updated flood mapping now, but it is a step in that process.

Federal Agency: Department of Homeland Security (FEMA)

Cost: Federal: \$1,200,000.00

Total: \$1,200,000.00

2012 Performance Partnership Grant Application for NYSDEC Pesticides Enforcement, Certification and Implementation Programs

Project Applicant: NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

Description: Monies will be used to assist with the Department's implementation of the various activities of NYS's pesticide enforcement and pesticide applicator certification programs. These programs ensure the use of pesticides is adequately monitored and controlled, thereby protecting the environment and human health from illegal pesticides and pesticide misuse.

Federal Agency: Environmental Protection Agency

Cost: Federal: \$1,710,000.00 State: \$464,267.00 Local: 0 Total: \$2,174,267.00

2013 NYSDEC Chesapeake Bay Implementation Grant Application

Project Applicant: NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

Description: Money from the grant would be used to support ongoing efforts to improve water quality in the Chesapeake Bay by implementing projects that reduce nutrients and sediment in the Susquehanna and Chemung watersheds in New York.

Federal Agency: Environmental Protection Agency

Cost: Federal: \$225,000.00 Applicant: \$225,000.00

Total: \$450,000.00

2014 NYSDEC Chesapeake Bay Regulatory and Accountability Program (CBRAP)

Project Applicant: NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

Description: The NYSDEC intends to primarily use the funds for staff capacity to support activities that reduce nutrients and sediment in the Susquehanna and Chemung watersheds in New York.

Federal Agency: Environmental Protection Agency

Cost: Federal: \$5,780,658.00 Applicant: \$5,780,658.00

Total: \$11,561,316.00

On a motion duly made (McKinney Cherry/O'Hearn) and carried, the intergovernmental reviews were approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

- 1) **Next Board Meeting** – The next meeting will be on June 18, 2020.

ADJOURN - On a motion duly made, (Barnes/Wagoner) and carried, the meeting adjourned at 9:31 a.m.

Respectively submitted,
Yvonne Terwilliger
Executive Assistant

