

**Honeoye Lake Watershed Task Force Meeting
Video Conference Meeting
January 13, 2022**

Meeting called to order by Terry Gronwall at 6:02pm.

Present: Linda Vanderbeck (HVA), Terry Gronwall (Canadice), Dorothy Gronwall (HVA), Mark Adams (Naples), Betsy Landre (OCPD), Bruce Gilman (FLCC), Dave Baker (Town of Richmond), Katie Lafler (ONTSWCD).

Approval of July 22nd, 2021 meeting minutes moved by DB, second MA, carried.

Approval of Financial Report moved by MA, second DB, carried.

New Business

Approval to pay OCSWCD 4Q21 Services Invoice \$792.00 moved DB, second MA, carried.

Approval for 2022 Life Science Labs (water quality samples) not to exceed \$2,500.00 moved MA, second, DB, carried.

Old Business

Honeoye Lake Watershed Stormwater Toolkit – T. Gronwall, HLWTF

- 250 copies were printed and each town received their desired number for distribution. Terry has more copies available should anyone need additional copies.

DEC WQIP Aeration Engineering Planning Grant Project – B. Landre, OCPD and T. Gronwall, HLWTF

- The group is reviewing the draft report from Princeton Hydro and hope that this is the near final draft. A meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2022 to present report to partners including staff from Ontario County Planning and the Towns of Richmond and Canadice to collect comments and feedback to gauge public interest in moving forward with a grant application to fund the aeration system. The biggest hurdle will be the 25% match that will be required as part of any grant application.

2022 Weed Harvesting Plans – Betsy Landre, OCPD

- Alpha Boats has been contacted to make repairs to the barge. Staffing continues to be a huge hurdle to overcome. The flexibility to hire through the Towns rather than the county was a major help to the 2021 season. HVA is working on a program to install house numbers at the ends of docks with one purpose being to make it easier for harvesting crews to find pickup locations.

Ontario County Soil and Water Conservation District Update- K. Lafler, OCSWCD

- GLRI Forest Restoration Program Grant: Surveys have begun of hemlock woolly adelgid infestations in both the Honeoye and Canandaigua Lake watersheds. The goal is to treat several locations this spring and conversations have already begun with licensed applications to make sure there is availability for treatment in the coming months. The Hemlock Initiative staff are also selecting possible release sites of beneficial predatory insects in the area.
- WQIP grant funding has been awarded for the Honeoye Lake Roadside Ditch Stabilization Project. The District will be working with the Town of Canadice to stabilize several ditches using flex-a-mat material in the Honeoye Lake Watershed.

Town of Richmond Outlet Creek and Mill Creek shale removal update – D. Baker, Town of Richmond

- Town has received WQIP grant funding to help support continued efforts to stabilize the banks of Mill Creek as well as remove accumulated sediment which has deposited in the area. The Town will be working with MRB and US Fish and Wildlife to design the project. The biggest hurdle at this time is the freshwater mussel survey, but DEC may waive requirements based on the amount of deposition in the area which has already severely impacted the mussel's habitat.

Active Ontario County Water Resource Council Funded Projects

- Detailed Engineering Design for Aeration System for Honeoye Lake – T. Gronwall, HLWTF
 - o This study is ongoing.

2022 HLWTF Projects

Plan to published 2022 HLWTF Newsletter in late January – T. Gronwall, HLWTF

Electronic Macrophyte Mapping for Harvesting Program (July & Aug. 2022) – Gronwall

Collected lake water quality data May-October 2022– T. Gronwall, HLWTF

Blue-green Algae blooms reported to NYSDEC (Jun-Oct 2022) – T. Gronwall, HLWTF

HLWTF weekly water quality blog updates (May-October 2022) – T. Gronwall, HLWTF

- Discussion was had regarding moving forward with proposed 2022 projects.

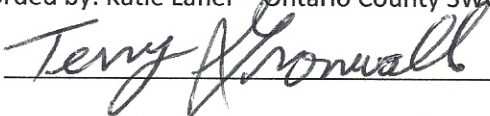
Future Meetings:

Discussion are being held in the state legislature regarding the use of virtual meetings and how it pertains to Open Meetings Law. The Task Force will continue to host virtual meetings as allowed. If virtual meetings no longer comply with Open Meetings Law, meetings will be held in person at the Town of Richmond Public Library.

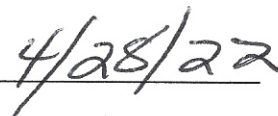
Motion to adjourn at 6:58 by MA, second DB, carried.

Minutes recorded by: Katie Lafler – Ontario County SWCD

Chairperson:



Date Approved:



Next 2022 HLWTF meeting scheduled for April 28th at 6pm. This meeting will be held virtually via GoToMeeting if allowable, otherwise will be in person at the Richmond Public Library.