

**Minutes of the Wayne County Soil & Water
Conservation District Board of Directors
Regular Meeting— April 23, 2024
District Office, 7312 Route 31, Lyons NY 14489**

Directors:

Mark Humbert
Pat VanLare
Peter Stoep
Jim Brady
Lynn Chatfield

Staff:

Ron Thorn
Kelly Reynolds
Lindsey Gerstenslager

- I. The meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m. by Lynn Chatfield.
- II. **A MOTION** was made by P. VanLare to approve the agenda as presented; seconded by J. Brady; motion carried.
- III. Report: Grange: Pat VanLare reported that the local granges have been very busy, and that April is Grange month. They are collecting donations for earthday.com.
- IV. Report: NYACD: Pat VanLare reported that the state and national Envirothons are coming up in May and July.
- V. Operational Business:
 - a. Correspondence this month – Brandon Martin letters of concern over the Blind Sodus Bay Barrier Bar Project were discussed.
- VI. **A MOTION** to accept the meeting minutes as presented was made by J. Brady, seconded by P. Stoep; motion carried.
- VII. **A MOTION** to accept the treasurer’s report for April 2024 as presented by P. VanLare, seconded by J. Brady; motion carried.
- VIII. **A MOTION** to approve the payment of the bills as presented in the PO list was made by P. VanLare, seconded by P. Stoep; motion carried.
- IX. Old Business:
 - a. Scott DeRue is working to put out a mussel survey to 5 sites per NYSDEC guidelines for the Upper Ganargua Creek streambank stabilization projects. See attached project update.
- X. **A MOTION** to approve spending \$24,950 of FLOWPA funds for the preparation of a Freshwater Mussel Survey and Report, per NYSDEC guidelines for Upper Ganargua Creek streambank stabilization project was made by P. VanLare, seconded by J. Brady; motion carried.
 - b. County Contracts Updates: requests are coming in for septic projects; 2 have been paid out so far, Chris Hotto has a couple of drainage projects going well at this time, Mike started work April 1 for AVC getting equipment ready. A meeting with the Town of Huron and SBIA group went well with hopes to work cooperatively this year. Drew is working on another E-waste collection at the end of May or early June. Safe Harbors is not responding for a chemical collection, so other options may have to be considered.
 - c. Staff activities: Tree sale pickup begins tomorrow with 9,700 plants sold and 200 orders which is 40 more than last year. Envirothon went well last week. Six schools and ten teams from Wayne County and one team from Weedsport (Cayuga County) participated with Red Creek taking first place.
- XI. **A MOTION** to send Drew Starkey to the NYS Envirothon in Cortland May 22-23 to help out with the event and spend the night at the \$50.00 Envirothon rate and to pay for Pat VanLare as well was made by L. Chatfield, seconded by J. Brady; motion carried.

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- XII. **A MOTION** to donate a \$100 voucher for tree sale trees to Wayne County Trail Works as a memorial for Bethany Comella was made by P. VanLare, seconded by L. Chatfield; motion carried.
- XIII. **A MOTION** to make adjustments to the AEM Tier IV Implementation program as attached with a resolution for each project was made by L. Chatfield, seconded by P. VanLare; motion carried.
- d. REDI Update: Lindsey See attached report submitted by Lindsey Gerstenslager dated 4/23/2024. J. Brady suggested getting a quote for Midland along with the quote already received from Suit-Kote for road repairs caused by truck traffic on Blind Sodus Bay Road for the Bluff Project.
- XIV. **A MOTION** to approve a change order as attached for Contract No. 1 General Construction with W.D. Malone Trucking & Excavating to include a 1 year extension for the WA.37 REDI Blind Sodus Bay Barrier Bar Project for substantial completion from September 1, 2024 to September 1, 2025 and ready for final payment from October 1, 2024 to October 1, 2025, due to permitting delays, was made by J. Brady; seconded by P. VanLare with L. Chatfield abstaining; motion carried.
- XV. **A MOTION** to reject the Replacement of the West Port Bay Culvert Over Beaver Creek bids, rework to process with the Town of Huron, modify the packet, and rebid with a November/December 2024 construction goal was made by M. Humbert, seconded by P. VanLare; motion carried.
- XVI. **A MOTION** to approve holding a Pollinator Workshop on or around June 19, 2024 was made by L. Chatfield, seconded by P. VanLare; motion carried
- XVII. **A MOTION** to adjourn at 6:54 pm was made by L. Chatfield, seconded by M. Humbert; motion carried.

Next Meeting: May 15, 2024 at the District Office, 7312 Route 31, Lyons NY 14489 at 8:30 a.m. for May Regular Board Meeting.