

**Minutes of the  
Wayne County Soil & Water Conservation District  
Regular Meeting— November 20, 2024  
District Office, 7312 Route 31, Lyons NY 14489**

**Directors in attendance:**

Mark Humbert, Chair  
Lynn Chatfield, Vice-chair  
Pat Van Lare, Treasurer  
Peter Stoep

**Absent:**

Jim Brady

**Staff in attendance:**

Ron Thorn  
Kelly Reynolds

**Guests:**

- I. The meeting was called to order with a quorum at 8:33 a.m. by Chairman Mark Humbert.
- II. **A MOTION** was made by P. Van Lare to approve the agenda; seconded by L. Chatfield; motion carried.
- III. Report: Farm Bureau: Mark Humbert: Kim Skellie of El-Vi Farms is new NYS VP. The NYS annual meeting will be held at Turning Stone.
- IV. Report: Grange: Pat Van Lare: Very busy; newsletter coming out soon.
- V. Report: NYACD: Pat Van Lare: Annual meeting went well in Penn Yan. NY will host national in 2025 in Syracuse. Legislative Days and Envirothon dates have been set for 2025.
- VI. Operational Business
  - A. **A MOTION** was made by L. Chatfield to accept the meeting minutes as presented; seconded by P. VanLare; motion carried.
  - B. **A MOTION** was made by L. Chatfield to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented; seconded by P. Stoep; motion carried.
  - C. **A MOTION** was made by L. Chatfield to approve the payment of the bills as presented; seconded by P. VanLare; motion carried.
- VII. Old Business
  - A. County Contract Updates: Ron Thorn:
    1. Harvesting: Budget is almost complete. Waiting for repair bill for clutch on truck.
    2. Drainage budget was used up as well as Part B. Part C is being used to complete projects outstanding.
    3. Household Hazardous Waste event went well, but under attended. Will look at different sites and more advertising for next event. E-waste is scheduled for December 4 & 5.
    4. Septic has an application pending.
    5. REDI Eastern Barrier Bar: Project is underway.
    6. REDI Port Bay is still going thru permitting process. DEC has had questions.

- B. Grant updates: Ron Thorn:
  - 1. Ag NPS: Humbert will need an extension.
  - 2. CRF: Harper is complete. Round 8 getting ready to open.
  - 3. AEM: Three projects are finished and 3 more will be done in the spring.
  - 4. FLOWPA 22 and 23 are getting ready to close out before the end of the year. A dump truck for the AVC program was purchased using FLOWPA funds.
  - 5. EFLC: Still moving forward. Questions for bonded portion of funds were being sorted out.
- C. District Technician exam has been scheduled, but results could take 3-6 months. We can hire provisionally. Six people have signed up for the exam. We have several applications and plan to set up interviews in December.

#### VIII. New Business

- A. **A MOTION** to approve accepting funds from Wayne County to assist with the East Bay Improvement Association as a funding conduit to be used towards the DEC approved disposal/spreading of dredge spoils on the East Bay Barrier Bar in the town of Huron, subject to approval of County Attorney and Board of Supervisors was made by P. Stoep, seconded by P. VanLare, motion carried.
- B. **A MOTION** to approve participation in the Wayne County Health Care Plan Trust for 2025 was made by P. VanLare, seconded by P. Stoep, motion carried.
- C. **A MOTION** to approve the annual membership contribution of \$111 to NACD was made by L. Chatfield, seconded by P. Van Lare, motion carried.
- D. **A MOTION** to approve a partial payment to Craft Family Farms for Ag NPS Round 28 Year 1 of cover crop portion for \$5,250 was made by P. Stoep, seconded by L. Chatfield, motion carried.
- E. **A MOTION** to approve repair estimate submitted by MJR Farm Repair for up to \$6,875 for maintenance and repair of the no-till drill was made by P. Stoep, seconded by L. Chatfield, motion carried.
- F. **A MOTION** to purchase warehouse racking for the Lyons office and Alton shop for us to \$1,000 was made by L. Chatfield, seconded by P. VanLare, motion carried.
- G. **A MOTION** to approve the annual Christmas party for up to \$1,200 was made by P. Stoep, seconded by P. VanLare, motion carried

#### IX. Adjournment

- A. **A MOTION** was made by L. Chatfield to adjourn the meeting at 10:25, seconded by P. VanLare, motion carried.
- B. The next Board of Directors Meeting will be on Wednesday, December 18, 2024 at 8:30 a.m. at the District Office 7312 Route 31, Lyons NY, 14489.