

CATSKILL WATERSHED CORPORATION

Annual Board of Directors Meeting

MINUTES

April 2, 2013 @ 1:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Mike Brandow.

III. Roll Call of Directors

Members Present: Donald Brandow, Deborah Meyer DeWan, Martin Donnelly, James Eisel, Jeff Graf (*New York City DEP*), Thomas Hynes, Innes Kasanof, Berndt Leifeld, Georgianna Lepke, Wayne Marshfield, Tina Molé, Richard Parete, Robert Pelham, Thomas Snow (*New York State DEC*) and Michael Triolo.

Members Excused: None

Staff Members Present: Kimberly Ackerley, Timothy Cox, Diane Galusha, Todd Henderson, Nathaniel Hendricks, John Jacobson, James Johnson, Larry Kelly, Leo LaBuda, Wendy Loper, James Martin, Jason Merwin, Barbara Puglisi, Alan L. Rosa, Charlie Schafer, Phil Sireci, and Frieda Suess.

Others Present: Ursula Basch (*NYS Economic Development*), Jeffrey Baker (*Young Sommer LLC, Attorney for Coalition of Watershed Towns*), Jay Braman (*Daily Freeman*), Kathleen Breen (*NYPIRG*), Clayton Brooks (*Former CWC Director*), David Brooks (*Councilman, T. of Denning*), Mike Brooks, Paula Brown (*Constituent Services Representative to Congressman Gibson*), Keitha Capouya (*Supervisor, T. of Meredith*), Cliff Crouch (*NYS Assembly*), Paul Dibbell (*Former CWC Director*), Peg Ellsworth (*Director, M-ARK Project*), Michael Flaherty (*Former CWC Director*), Sam Kandel (*Counselor, Small Business Development Center of Ulster County*), Henry Lamont (*Lamont Engineers*), Peter Lopez (*NYS Assembly*), Tracy Magee (*Special Assistant to Assemblyman Lopez*), Michael Meyer (*NYC DEP*), Todd Pascarella (*Mayor, V. of Fleischmanns*), Bill Rudge (*NYSDEC*), Paul Rush (*Deputy Commissioner, NYCDEP*), Dan Ruzow (*CWC Outside Counsel, Whiteman Ostermann & Hanna*), Rex Sanford (*Rex Sanford Engineering*), John Schwarz (*NYCDEP*), Carter Strickland, Jr. (*Commissioner, NYCDEP*), Don VanKleek (*Don VanKleek Excavating*), Steven Walker (*Supervisor, T. of Windham*), and Pamela Young (*NYSDOH*).

Alan Rosa took a moment to introduce members of the audience of distinction, including Paula Brown, Cliff Crouch, Peter Lopez, Pam Young, Commissioner Carter Strickland, Paul Rush, and Dan Ruzow. He also noted the catering company, Ate o Ate, a new business from Roxbury, started in January 2013. He thanked Rick Ellsworth, Bonnie Walker, and Beth Liddle for their hard work and excellent food.

Alan also shared that, when asked how they came up with the name for the business, Rich said that it is the area code for Hawaii.

Alan stated that he really appreciates having quality staff, and we do a lot. You'll see what we've done this year. The staff really are who makes things happen. Without the staff, you'll never be successful. He thanked them from himself and the Board.

Georgianna Lepke stated that the same holds true for Alan, who is "Our Staff" and CEO.

IV. Staff Presentation of 2012 Accomplishments

Diane Galusha, CWC Director of Communications, made a PowerPoint presentation entitled "2012 In Review". It summarizes the accomplishments over the past year in the different program areas that CWC administers, in addition to activities, accomplishments, and statistics, since the establishment of the MOA was signed in 1997. Many program on-site photos were shown at various locations throughout the Watershed areas, in addition to the CWC Board of Directors and Staff. CWC staff commented on their respective departments throughout the presentation.

During the presentation Georgianna Lepke noted that the Septic Maintenance program was the 'brain child' of Clayton Brooks (present in the audience today), who felt it would be beneficial to the watershed and all who take part in the Septic Rehabilitation and Replacement Program to maintain those systems paid for by the CWC.

V. Presentation of CWC Website

Kim Ackerley and Diane Galusha presented the new website developed in-house and highlighted important features and links.

VI. Board of Directors Election Results

Timothy Cox announced the election results for one seat in Ulster County and one seat in Schoharie County. Berndt Leifeld (Ulster) and Donald "Mike" Brandow (Schoharie) were reelected to the CWC Board of Directors.

VII. Election of Officers:

A motion to approve Resolution No. 2262 was made by Martin Donnelly and seconded by Thomas Hynes.

April 2, 2013

RESOLUTION NO. 2262

ELECT OFFICERS OF THE CATSKILL WATERSHED CORPORATION **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 1 of the by-laws of the Catskill Watershed Corporation (“CWC”) provide for the offices of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to CWC Resolution No. 2, the Board of Directors found it was in the interests of the CWC to establish the office of First Vice President and Second Vice President in order to provide for orderly conduct of the business of the Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the Policy Committee recommends the Board elect the following officers: Georgianna Lepke, President; Berndt Leifeld, First Vice-President; Robert Pelham, Second Vice-President; Donald “Mike” Brandow, Secretary; and James Eisel, Treasurer; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors elect the following officers: Georgianna Lepke, President; Berndt Leifeld, First Vice President; Robert Pelham, Second Vice-President; Donald “Mike” Brandow, Secretary; and James Eisel, Treasurer.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Officers shall serve and carry over until the 2014 Annual Meeting of Member Towns.

Voice vote, carried unanimously

VIII. Open Floor: Questions and Comments from Member Towns

Assemblyman Peter Lopez thanked the Board for all that they do. Georgianna Lepke stated that she enjoys working with the Board of Directors, City of New York, the State of New York, and all Member Towns, and that while they all may at times have different interests within the NYC Watershed, as a whole we’ve learned to come together and that really benefits all partners, the quality of water, and also the people within our communities.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mike Brandow and seconded by Berndt Leifeld.

IX. Adjournment @ 2:10 PM