

**CATSKILL WATERSHED CORPORATION**  
**Annual Board of Directors Meeting**  
**MINUTES**  
**April 5, 2011 @ 1:00 p.m.**

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Alan Rosa

**III. Roll Call of Directors**

**Members Present:** Donald 'Mike' Brandow, Deborah Meyer DeWan, Paul R. Dibbell, Martin Donnelly, James Eisel, Michael Flaherty, Thomas Hynes, Berndt Leifeld, Georgianna Lepke, Wayne Marshfield, Tina Molé, David Warne (*New York City DEP*), Michael Shultis, Thomas Snow (*New York State DEC*), and Leonard Utter.

**Members Excused:** None

**Staff Members Present:** Kimberlie Ackerley, Tammy Castillo, Timothy Cox, Diane Galusha, Todd Henderson, Nate Hendricks, John Jacobson, James Johnson, Larry Kelly, Leo LaBuda, Wendy Loper, James Martin, Mary Jane Oppenheimer, Barbara Puglisi, Alan L. Rosa, Charles Schafer, Phil Sireci, Frieda Suess, and Michael Triolo.

**Others Present:** Clayton Brooks, David Brooks (*Town of Denning*), Leonard Distel (*Supervisor, Town of Wawarsing*), Jeff Graf (*New York City DEP*), Lissa Harris (*Watershed Post*), Dennis Lucas (*Coalition of Watershed Towns/Town of Hunter*), Peter Manning (*Catskill Center for Conservation and Development*), Michael Meyer (*NYC DEP*), Jeff Moran (*Supervisor, Town of Woodstock*), Carol Muth (*Town of Jewett*), Bill Rudge (*New York State DEC*), Dan Ruzow (*Whiteman, Osterman and Hanna*), John Schwartz (*New York City DEP*), and Michelle Yost (*Greene County Watershed Assistance Program*).

*Georgianna Lepke thanked CWC staff for the preparation of the hot lunch served to Board and guests.*

**IV. CWC Staff Reports on 2010 Program Achievements**

*Kimberlie Ackerley, Diane Galusha, Nathan Hendricks, Leo LaBuda, Timothy Cox, Barbara Puglisi, and Michael Triolo gave a PowerPoint presentation summarizing accomplishments of CWC Programs for the previous year.*

**V. Open Floor: Questions and Comments from Member Towns**

*Lissa Harris asked if the pharmaceutical collection program was utilized by nursing homes only, or if it had been expanded to include hospitals as well. Timothy Cox explained that the collection run is limited to the Class 3-A facilities (nursing homes) at this time. From what CWC understands, both from the Bureau of Narcotics Enforcement and area hospitals, hospitals have a reverse distribution option to return unused controlled substances to their distributors.*

*Alan thanked CWC staff for their hard work. He noted that 2010 was a tough year, and that the first few months of this year have not improved much. Alan stated that CWC has learned to do more with less, and it has been an interesting time. Alan also noted that in his 14 years at CWC, he couldn't recall a tougher year than 2010.*

**VI. Board Of Directors Election Results**

Mike Brandow announced that Georgianna Lepke, Sullivan County, Richard Parete, Ulster County, and Karl Gonzalez, Greene County, were elected to the Catskill Watershed Board of Directors by Watershed Towns supervisors. By letter dated March 31, 2011 Mr. Gonzalez declined his election. The CWC Policy Committee has scheduled a special election, the results to be announced at the next CWC annual meeting on April 3, 2012. Pursuant to CWC By-Laws, Michael Flaherty will continue to serve as Director until his successor is elected and qualified.

*Alan addressed Michael Shultis, stating that it has been an honor to work with him and that staff will miss him.*

*Mike responded that it has been a pleasure to get to know and working with everyone, there has been a lot of good work done here. Mike stated that he is certain that Rich Parete is prepared and ready to represent Ulster County.*

*James Eisel addressed Mike, noting that they served on committees together and he sure did a lot, that he'll be missed, and wished Mike luck in all of his endeavors in the future.*

*Board and Staff acknowledged Mike with a round of applause.*

**VII. Election of Officers:**

A motion to approve Resolution No. 1883 was made by Martin Donnelly and seconded by Thomas Hynes.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 1883**

**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; Paul Dibbell, Second Vice-President; Donald "Mike" Brandow, Secretary; and James Eisel, Treasurer.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors elect the following officers: Georgianna Lepke, President; Berndt Leifeld, First Vice President; Paul Dibbell, 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 2012 annual meeting of the Board of Directors.

**Voice Vote, *carried unanimously***

*Georgianna Lepke, on behalf of the Board of Directors, thanked Michael Shultis, welcomed Richard Parete, and thanked Michael Flaherty for being willing to stay on until his replacement is elected and confirmed for Greene County. Also, on behalf of the entire Board, she thanked CWC staff. Georgianna stated that everyone does a lot of hard work, and that CWC is here to represent the people of the watershed in the name of clean water. Georgie also recognized Dan Ruzow, who represented CWC over the past year in negotiations, and thanked him for his efforts and representation.*

*A motion to adjourn was made by Michael Flaherty and seconded by Thomas Snow.*

**VIII. Adjournment @ 2:37 pm**