

Catskill Watershed Corporation
Septic Committee Meeting
March 3, 2015
Minutes

Attendance:

Committee Members: Donald Brandow (Director), Thomas Hynes (Director), Berndt Leifeld (Director), Wayne Marshfield (Director), Tina Mole' (Director), Robert Pelham (Director), Tom Snow (NYSDEC), Ben Pierson (NYSDOH by phone), Alan Rosa (CWC), Michael Triolo (Director) and Michael Meyer (NYCDEP)

Others: Tim Cox (CWC), Marty Donnelly (Director), Peg Ellsworth (MARK Project), Jim Eisel (Director), Diane Galusha (CWC), Jeff Graf (NYCDEP), John Jacobson (CWC), Larry Kelly (CWC), Leo LaBuda (CWC), and Tom Stalter (NYCDEP)

- I. The meeting was called to order at 9:59 AM by Wayne Marshfield.
- II. Minutes from last meeting were reviewed and approved as written.
- III. Septic Program
 - A. Betty Lohman Additional Costs: Ms. Lohman's project is located in the Town of Windham and was previously approved for \$29,990.00. During construction a large amount of wet, unsuitable material excavated from the raised bed and curtain drain was moved to a spoil area where it was spread to dry. Additional topsoil, seed and mulch were required to restore the spoil area. The contractor's request for an additional \$1,450.00 for this work is within the current Schedule of Values. Ms. Lohman's engineer has verified the need for the additional work. This will bring the total project cost to \$31,440.00. The Septic Committee recommended that a resolution be brought before the Board of Directors to reimburse Betty Lohman in the amount not to exceed \$1,450.00 for additional costs to build her septic system.
 - B. Robert Huhem Over \$25,000.00 Reimbursement: Mr. Huhem has applied for funding through the end of year Reimbursement Program. His property is located at 53 Old Town Rd. in the Town of Roxbury. Major components of his new septic system include a 1,000 gallon septic tank, siphon chamber, 160 linear feet of 4" gravity piping, one distribution box, 285 cubic yards of absorption fill material, one effluent filter, 184 linear feet of absorption raised trench, 80 linear feet of curtain drain, a temporary access road, tree removal and rock removal. Mr. Huhem has submitted paid bills for this project. Costs are within 10% of the staff estimated cost of construction based on the Schedule of Values. The Committee recommended that a resolution be

brought before the Board to reimburse Robert Huhem in the amount not to exceed \$29,800.00 to build his septic system.

- C. Andris Neimanis Over \$25,000.00: Mr. Neimanis's property is located in the Town of Windham. His house has six bedrooms. Major components of his proposed septic system include two 1,000 gallon septic tanks, one pump station, 15 linear feet of 4" gravity piping, 215 linear feet of force main, one distribution box, 450 cubic yards of absorption fill material, one effluent filter, 474 linear feet of absorption trench, tree removal, relocated buried electric wiring and site restoration. Three quotes were received for this project. They are for \$48,000.00, \$37,374.53 and \$33,950.00. The two lowest quotes are within the staff estimated cost of construction based on the Schedule of Values. The Committee recommended that a resolution be brought before the Board to reimburse Andris Neimanis in the amount not to exceed \$33,950.00 to build his septic system.
- D. Warren Post Extenuating Circumstances: This agenda item was tabled due to a conflict with a WAC Easement. Mr. Post's proposed septic system would be located on a neighboring property that has a WAC Easement. The easement has been in place since 2005. A new design will need to be drawn locating the proposed system on the parcel that includes the house. CWC cannot pay for a second design.
- E. Septic Cluster Update: There was no report on this program this month.
- F. Septic Maintenance: Larry Kelly reviewed activity in this program with the Committee. 2 homeowners were reimbursed for pump outs last month. A total of 11 homeowners have been reimbursed this year.
- G. Update: Leo reviewed activity in the Septic Program with the Committee. 9 homeowners were reimbursed for septic system repairs last month. A total of 18 homeowners have been reimbursed for septic system repairs this year.
- H. The next Septic Committee meeting was scheduled for April 7, 2015.

IV. The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 AM.