

Catskill Watershed Corporation
Septic Committee Meeting
July 5, 2017
Minutes

Attendance:

Committee Members: Tom Hynes (Director), Wayne Marshfield (Director), Tina Mole' (Director), Richard MacElrath (NYSDOH), Richard Parete (Director), Anthony Van Glad (Director), Alan Rosa (CWC), Michael Triolo (Director), Michael Meyer (NYCDEP)

Others: Tim Cox (CWC), Bruce Dolph (Coalition of Watershed Towns), Marty Donnelly (Director), Jim Eisel (Director), Dean Frazier (Delaware Co. Watershed Affairs), Diane Galusha (CWC), John Jacobson (CWC), Innes Kasanof (Director), Leo LaBuda (CWC), Jim Martin (CWC), Mark McCarthy (Director), Tom Stalter (NYCDEP), John Schwarz (NYCDEP), Jim Sofranko (Director), Dave Warne (NYCDEP)

- I. The meeting was called to order at 9:37 AM by Wayne Marshfield.
- II. Minutes from the June Committee meeting were reviewed and approved as written.
- III. Leo introduced Justine Rutherford, a new Septic Program employee.
- IV. Septic Program
 - A. Molly Oliver Over \$25,000.00: Ms. Oliver's project is located in the Town of Meredith. Her proposed septic system will serve a four bedroom house. Major components of this system include a 1,250 gallon septic tank, a pump chamber, 30 linear feet of 4" gravity piping, 170 linear feet of force main, 85 cubic yards of random fill material, 20 cubic yards of sand, one effluent filter, four peat modules, 2,820 square feet of site restoration, temporary access road and small loads bucketed into site. Three quotes have been received for this project. They are for \$34,575.00, \$34,500.00 and \$33,086.00. The engineer for this project is Alverson Engineering, the contractor is A&M Excavating. The lowest quote is within 10% of the staff estimated cost of construction based on the Schedule of Values. The Septic Committee recommended that a resolution be brought before the Board of Directors to approve reimbursing Molly Oliver in the amount not to exceed \$33,086.00 to build her septic system.
 - B. Aaron Bonesteel Additional Cost: Mr. Bonesteel's project is located in the Town of Woodstock. His project was previously approved for \$36,965.00. During construction the engineer directed the contractor to install approximately 210 cubic yards of random fill to ensure positive drainage and eliminate ponding. An additional 1,420 square feet of restoration was required. Mr. Bonesteel's contractor has requested has

- requested \$6,106.30 for this work. The engineer for this project is Christopher DiChiaro, the contractor is Chad Davis. This is within the Schedule of Values. Total project cost with this addition will be \$43,071.30. The Septic Committee recommended that a resolution be brought before the Board of Directors to reimburse Aaron Bonesteel in the amount not to exceed \$6,106.30 for additional costs to build his septic system.
- C. Walter Kaminski Over \$25,000.00: Mr. Kaminski's project is located in the Town of Wawarsing. His proposed septic system will serve a three bedroom house. Major components of this system will include a 1,000 gallon septic tank, a pump chamber, 55 linear feet of gravity piping, 175 linear feet of 2" force main one distribution box, 354 cubic yards of absorption fill material, 208 linear feet of absorption trench, 338 linear feet of curtain drain, 4,050 square feet of site restoration, 20 to 25 trees to remove, brush clearing, and a temporary access road. Three quotes have been received for this project. They are for \$64,610.67, \$49,180.00 and \$40,892.02. The engineer for this project is A. Diachishin & Associates, the contractor is H. Osterhoudt. The lowest quote is slightly below the staff estimated cost of construction based on the Schedule of Values. The Septic Committee recommended that a resolution be brought before the Board of Directors to reimburse Walter Kaminski in the amount not to exceed \$40,892.00 to build his septic system.
- D. Wayne Sparling Over \$25,000.00: Mr. Sparling's project is located in the Town of Hamden. His proposed septic system will serve a three bedroom house. Major components of this system include a 1,000 gallon septic tank, a pump chamber, 20 linear feet of gravity piping, 305 linear feet of force main, 280 cubic yards of absorption fill material, 11 cubic yards of C-33 sand, 288 square feet of Eljen In-drain units, site restoration and temporary access. Mr. Sparling's contractor has submitted a quote for \$29,882.24 to build this system. This is within 10% of the staff estimated cost of construction based on the Schedule of Values. The engineer for this project is Sander Engineering, the contractor is Tweedie Construction. The Septic Committee recommended that a resolution be brought before the Board of Directors to reimburse Wayne Sparling in the amount not to exceed \$29,882.24 to build his septic system.
- E. Septic Cluster Update: Leo had no update this month. Two homeowners in the Clovesville cluster area and one in Kelly Corners continue to need septic system repairs. The Town is waiting for the new FAD to come out. It should have been out two weeks ago. CWC cannot do anything without a decision from the Town.
- F. Septic Maintenance: Leo reviewed activity in this program with the Committee. 27 homeowners were reimbursed for pump outs last month. 75 have been reimbursed this

year. 400 letters to people newly eligible for this program have been mailed out. 1,787 homeowners have been reimbursed for pump outs since the program began. This number is on target

Update: Leo reviewed activity in the Septic Program with the Committee. Seven septic system repairs were paid for last month. The total paid for this year is 28. Last year at this time 99 repairs had been paid for. The weather has been a factor. 351 failures have been identified that have not been repaired yet.

G. Other: Leo discussed the John Barbaro project in the Town of Hurley. He passed around a photograph of the driveway. The homeowner wants program funding to repave his driveway when his proposed septic system is done. Construction costs are under \$25,000.00. The Septic Program cannot pay for paving a driveway.

- IV. The next Septic Committee meeting was scheduled for August 1, 2017.
- V. The meeting was adjourned at 10:02 AM.