

CWC POLICY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
DECEMBER 1, 2015

Present: Mike Brandow, James Eisel, Robert Pelham, Michael Triolo, Alan Rosa, Jeff Graf (NYCDEP), Berndt Leifeld, Tina Mole, Thomas Snow (NYSDEC), Mark McCarthy

Others Present: Tim Cox (CWC), Jim Martin (CWC), John Mathiesen (CWC)

I. Call to Order at 10:40 am

II. November, 2015 minutes unanimously approved by Committee

III. CWC Board Election Update

Tim Cox stated that in Delaware and Greene Counties the November elections resulted in turnover of some watershed town supervisors. Tim continued that Alan recommended that CWC Hold off sending out nomination forms to town supervisors until after January 1, 2016. This would avoid confusion in the nomination process because nominees must be publicly elected officials. The Committee agreed.

IV. Whiteman, Osterman and Hanna 2016 Agreement

Tim Cox reviewed the proposed hourly fees of attorneys at Whiteman, Osterman, and Hanna. Tim noted that hourly fees had not increased in five years. Committee unanimously recommended CWC Board approve a 2016 contract with Whiteman, Osterman, and Hanna in an amount not to exceed \$75,000.

V. Delaware Inn

John Mathiesen reviewed the condition of the Delaware Inn. He noted immediate concerns with the roof and handicapped ramp on the front porch. The shingles on the roof were installed without flashing and the handicapped ramp was sloped toward the building, instead of away. Both issues allowed water into the building. John also noted the first floor hardwood floors would need to be replaced. The Committee asked Alan about the repairs and what would be done. Alan stated that he would prioritize repairs and get the roof corrected now, as repairs are underway, and seek contractors for the work on the ramp and damaged joists in the basement. Alan said the budget has sufficient funds and some work may need to be bid out. Committee asked about insurance of the original contractor. Tim Cox reported that he had obtained the files and spoken with outside counsel. CWC will be notifying the insurance company of a potential claim but there may not be coverage for negligent work.

VII. Schedule Next Meeting scheduled for January 5, 2016

VIII. Adjourned at 11:15 am