

CATSKILL WATERSHED CORPORATION

Board of Directors Meeting

MINUTES

February 4, 2025

I. Called to Order at 1:09 PM at the Catskill Watershed Corporation

II. Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Tina Molé

III. Roll Call of Directors

Members Present: Tina Molé, Alicia Terry, James Sofranko, Dave Warne, Richard Parete, Arthur Merrill, Christopher Mathews, Thomas Hoyt, Joseph Cetta, Innes Kasanof, John Kosier, Allen Hinkley, George Haynes, Jr., and Jeff Senterman

Members Excused: Thomas Snow

Staff Members Present: Jason Merwin, Timothy Cox, Jim Martin, Donald Brown, Barbara Puglisi, Samantha Costa, Lindsay Ballard, Gemma Young, and Lynn Kavanagh

Others Present: Shilo Williams (NYCEP), John Schwartz (NYCDEP), Aaron Bennett (NYCDEP), Mike Myers (NYCDEP), Gerson Tavaréz (NYCDEP), Patrick Palmer (NYSDOH), Mike Maloney (NYSDOH), Nick Sadler (NYCDEP), Matt Gianetta (NYCDEP), Heidi Emrich (Ulster County Department of Environment).

Others Present Via Zoom: Tom Stalter (NYCDEP), Lisa Melville (NYDOS), John Winbush (NYDOS), Pauline Wanjugi (NYSDOH), Nick Carbone (Watershed Affairs Coordinator), Dymitry Ostapyszyn (NYCDEP), Anusha Lamsal (Model Forest Coordinator at NYC Watershed Agricultural Council) and Renee Antonette (CWC)

IV. Review and Approval of January 7, 2025, Board Minutes

A motion to approve the Board Minutes to stand as submitted was made by Tina Molé without objection

Voice Vote carried unanimously.

V. Presentation of Communications

Finance Report

A motion to approve the financial reports as of September 30, 2024, was made by Arthur Merrill and seconded by Joseph Cetta.

Voice Vote, carried unanimously.

Executive Director's Report

Committee Schedule

Committee Meeting Minutes

Committee minutes were received and approved as submitted upon motion by Tina Molé.

VI. Public Discussion

Samantha Costa asked the Board Members that if they are aware of any ribbon cutting ceremonies or events that CWC has had involvement with, if they could please inform us prior so a representative from

CWC could possibly attend.

VII. Presentation of Resolutions

A motion to approve Tab 6 to Tab 8, Resolution No. 5590 to Resolution No. 5592, was made by Christopher Mathews and seconded by Dave Warne.

Septic Over \$30,000 – Terrance Doyle – Tab 6

February 4, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 5590

BOARD APPROVAL OF SEPTIC CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATE OVER \$35,000: TERRANCE DOYLE

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Watershed Memorandum of Agreement and the Septic System Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Contracts with New York City Department of Environmental Protection, the Catskill Watershed Corporation (“CWC”) shall act as program manager for the Septic Program and implement the Septic Program consistent with the terms of said contracts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 2:01:09 of the CWC Septic Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Rules Article 2A, if the total amount requested for reimbursement is more than Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00), the homeowner shall supply detailed quotes from three unrelated contractors, and CWC staff shall forward the design with recommendation to the CWC Board for approval; and

WHEREAS, CWC staff has reviewed four construction quotes, including the lowest quote for the septic system repair in the amount of Forty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$47,512.00); and

WHEREAS, the contractor’s quote for this system is more than Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the CWC staff have determined the eligible amount of Forty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$47,512.00) to be a reasonable cost for this system in accordance with the schedule of values; and

WHEREAS, the Septic Committee has reviewed the documentation and recommend approving the reimbursement of Forty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$47,512.00) as it is in substantial agreement with our schedule of values.

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the CWC Board of Directors approves the eligible cost of this system for reimbursement to be the total not-to-exceed amount of Forty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$47,512.00).

Terrence Doyle Over \$30,000:

Address: 37 Forest Rd., Grahamsville, NY 12740

Town: Neversink

Bedrooms: 3

Engineer: Tom Ward P.E.

Contractor: Sheeley Oil Excavating

Sign in date: 3/7/24

Design Application received by DEP: 8/20/24

Design Application deemed complete: 9/6/24

Date Recommended for DEP Design Approval: 10/4/24

2-year deadline: 3/7/26

Homeowner and CWC staff received four quotes from unrelated contractors for the amount of \$47,512.00, \$49,559.00, \$52,675.00 and \$54,832.00, Major components of this system include a 1,000 gallon septic tank, a pump chamber, 15 linear feet of gravity pipe, 70 linear feet of force main, one distribution box, an effluent filter, 360 cubic yards of absorption fill material, 250 linear feet of absorption trench, 200 linear feet of curtain drain, 30 linear feet of curtain drain outlet pipe and site restoration. We received a quote for \$47,512.00. The low quote is below our estimated cost for construction. Therefore, we are requesting that the Septic Committee recommends to the Board of Directors that they accept this reimbursement request of \$47,512.00.

Septic Over \$30,000 – Joseph Krum – Tab 7

February 4, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 5591

**BOARD APPROVAL OF SEPTIC CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATE OVER \$30,000:
JOSEPH KRUM**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Watershed Memorandum of Agreement and the Septic System Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Contracts with New York City Department of Environmental Protection, the Catskill Watershed Corporation (“CWC”) shall act as program manager for the Septic Program and implement the Septic Program consistent with the terms of said contracts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 2:01:09 of the CWC Septic Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Rules Article 2A, if the total amount requested for reimbursement is more than Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) CWC staff shall forward the design with recommendation to the CWC Board for approval; and

WHEREAS, CWC staff has reviewed a construction quote submitted by a contractor for the septic system repair in the amount of Thirty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars (\$34,993.00); and

WHEREAS, the contractor’s quote for this system is more than Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the CWC staff have determined the eligible amount of Thirty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars (\$34,993.00) to be a reasonable cost for this system in accordance with the schedule of values; and

WHEREAS, the Septic Committee has reviewed the documentation and recommend approving the reimbursement of Thirty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars (\$34,993.00) as it is in substantial agreement with our schedule of values.

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the CWC Board of Directors approves the eligible cost of this system for reimbursement to be the total not-to-exceed amount of Thirty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars (\$34,993.00).

Joseph Krum Over \$30,000:

Address: 12 Mutton Hill Road, Neversink, NY 12765

Town: Neversink

Bedrooms: 2

Engineer: Tom Ward P.E.

Contractor: B. Rogerson Excavating

Sign in date: 5/29/24

Design Application received by DEP: 8/16/24

Design Application deemed complete: 8/30/24

Date Recommended for DEP Design Approval: 12/3/24

2-year deadline: 5/29/26

Homeowner and CWC staff received a quote from a contractor in the amount of \$34,993.00. Major components of this system include a 1,000 gallon septic tank, a pump chamber, 15 linear feet of gravity pipe, 195 linear feet of force main, one distribution box, an effluent filter, 100 cubic yards of absorption fill material, 192 square feet of Eljen units, seven cubic yards of C-33 sand and site restoration. This amount is within 10% of the staff estimated cost of construction based on the Schedule of Values. Therefore, we are requesting that the Septic Committee recommends to the Board of Directors that they accept this reimbursement request of \$34,993.00.

Septic Over \$30,000 – Simone Smith – Tab 8

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RESOLUTION NO. 5592

**BOARD APPROVAL OF SEPTIC CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATE OVER \$35,000:
SIMONE SMITH**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Watershed Memorandum of Agreement and the Septic System Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Contracts with New York City Department of Environmental Protection, the Catskill Watershed Corporation (“CWC”) shall act as program manager for the Septic Program and implement the Septic Program consistent with the terms of said contracts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 2:01:09 of the CWC Septic Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Rules Article 2A, if the total amount requested for reimbursement is more than Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00), the homeowner shall supply detailed quotes from three unrelated contractors, and CWC staff shall forward the design with recommendation to the CWC Board for approval; and

WHEREAS, CWC staff has reviewed three construction quotes, including the lowest quote for the septic system repair in the amount of Forty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Fourteen Dollars and Seven Cents (\$42,514.07); and

WHEREAS, the contractor’s quote for this system is more than Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the CWC staff have determined that the eligible amount of the contractor’s quote of Forty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Fourteen Dollars and Seven Cents (\$42,514.07) to be a reasonable cost for this system in accordance with our schedule of values; and

WHEREAS, the Septic Committee has reviewed the documentation and recommend approving the reimbursement of Forty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Fourteen Dollars and Seven Cents (\$42,514.07) as it is in substantial agreement with our schedule of values.

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the CWC Board of Directors approves the eligible cost of this system for reimbursement for a total not-to-exceed amount of Forty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Fourteen Dollars and Seven Cents (\$42,514.07)

Simone Smith Over \$30,000:

Address: 2152 Chambers Hollow Rd., Walton, NY 13856

Town: Hamden

Bedroom: 4

Engineer: Steele Brook Engineering

Contractor: Robinson Bros Excavating

Sign in date: 5/19/23

Design Application received by DEP: 5/22/24

Design Application deemed complete: 6/27/24
Date Recommended for DEP Design Approval: 8/16/24
2-year deadline: 5/19/25

Homeowner and CWC staff received three quotes from unrelated contractors for \$42,514.07, \$44,422.93 and \$47,910.00. Major components of this system include a 1,250 gallon septic tank, a siphon chamber, 130 linear feet of gravity pipe, 356 cubic yards of absorption fill material, one distribution box, an effluent filter, 300 linear feet of absorption trench, 125 linear feet of curtain drain, 68 linear feet of curtain drain outlet pipe, 150 linear feet of improved swale, 12 linear feet of six-inch sleeve and site restoration. The low quote is below our estimated cost for construction. Therefore, we are requesting that the Septic Committee recommend to the Board of Directors that they accept this reimbursement request of \$42,514.07.

Voice Vote, carried unanimously.



A motion to approve Tab 9, Resolution No. 5593, was made by Thomas Hoyt and seconded by Innes Kasanof.

Septic Over \$30,000 – Expanded Septic – Town of Jewett – Tab 9

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RESOLUTION NO. 5593

**BOARD APPROVAL OF SEPTIC CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATE OVER \$35,000:
TOWN OF JEWETT - EXPANDED SEPTIC PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the 2017 Filtration Avoidance Determination, the Catskill Watershed Corporation (“CWC”) is the program manager for the CWC Expanded Septic Program and implements the Expanded Septic Program consistent per the terms of the Septic V Program Agreement; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 13:01:09 of the CWC Expanded Septic Program, Article 13, if the total amount requested for reimbursement is more than Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00), the owner shall supply detailed quotes from three unrelated contractors, and CWC staff shall forward the design with recommendation to the CWC Board for approval; and

WHEREAS, CWC staff has reviewed six construction quotes, including the lowest quote for the septic system repair in the amount of Sixty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars (\$64,684.00); and

WHEREAS, the contractor’s quote for this system is more than Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the CWC staff have determined the contractor’s quote of Sixty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars (\$64,684.00) to be a reasonable cost for this system; and

WHEREAS, the Septic Committee has reviewed the documentation and recommend approving the reimbursement of Sixty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars (\$64,684.00).

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the CWC Board of Directors approves the eligible cost of this system for reimbursement for a total not-to-exceed amount of Sixty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars (\$64,684.00).

Town of Jewett Backup

Expanded Septic Program

Address: 3547 County Route 23C, Hunter, NY 12442

Town: Jewett

Engineer: Lamont Engineers

Contractor: Maggio & Sons

Sign In Date: 1/17/24

Design Application Received By DEP:

Design Application Deemed Complete:

Date Recommended for DEP Design Approval:

2 Year Deadline: 1/17/26

Property owner and CWC staff received six quotes from unrelated contractors in the amount of \$64,684.00, \$74,000.00, \$79,320.00, \$82,852.00, \$109,079.00 and \$174,000.00. Major components of this system include a 1,000 gallon H 20 septic tank, an H 20 pump chamber, 62 linear feet of gravity pipe, 140 linear feet of force main, 32 cubic yards of absorption fill material, two Puraflo Coir modules, 38 pill blocks, three cast iron risers and site restoration. This is a prevailing wage project and publically bid by the town. The Committee recommended that the Board of Directors reimburse The Town of Jewett in the amount not to exceed \$64,684.00.00 to build their septic system.

Voice Vote, carried unanimously.



A motion to approve Tab 10 to Tab 14, Resolution No. 5594 to Resolution No. 5598, was made by James Sofranko and seconded by John Koiser.

Septic Over \$30,000 – Additional Cost – Matthew Davis – Tab 10

February 4, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 5594

**BOARD APPROVAL OF SEPTIC CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATE
OVER \$30,000 – ADDITIONAL COSTS:
MATTHEW DAVIS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Watershed Memorandum of Agreement and the Septic System Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Contracts with New York City Department of Environmental Protection, the Catskill Watershed Corporation (“CWC”) shall act as program manager for the Septic Program and implement the Septic Program consistent with the terms of said contracts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 2:01:09 of the CWC Septic Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Rules Article 2A, if the total amount requested for reimbursement is more than Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) CWC staff shall forward the design with recommendation to the CWC Board for approval; and

WHEREAS, on May 7, 2024, by Resolution Number 5239, the CWC Board approved reimbursement to Matthew Davis in an amount not-to-exceed Thirty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$39,000.00); and

WHEREAS, CWC staff has reviewed an additional construction invoice of costs incurred submitted by the homeowner for the septic system repair in the amount of One Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,750.00); and

WHEREAS, the total contractor’s invoices for this system is more than Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00); and

WHEREAS, CWC staff have determined the total reasonable cost of the additional work according to CWC Schedule of Values to be One Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$1,750.00); and

WHEREAS, CWC staff have determined that Forty Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$40,750.00) is a reasonable cost for this system in accordance with our schedule of values; and

WHEREAS, the Septic Committee has reviewed the documentation and recommend approving total reimbursement of Forty Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$40,750.00) as it is in substantial agreement with our schedule of values.

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the CWC Board of Directors approves the eligible cost of this system for reimbursement to be the total not-to-exceed amount of Forty Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$40,750.00).

Matthew Davis Backup

Address: 108 Betty Brook Road, South Kortright, NY 13842

Town: Kortright

Engineer: Benjamin Dates P.E.

Contractor: A&M Excavating

This project was previously approved for \$39,000.00. A subpanel was necessary to power the pump. Two trees had to be removed that were not on the plan. The contractor has requested \$1,750.00 for the additional work. This amount appears to be reasonable and justified. The Septic Committee recommends that the CWC Board of Directors approve an additional reimbursement of \$1,750.00 for total reimbursement not-to-exceed \$40,750.00.

Septic Over \$30,000 – Additional Cost – John Donaleski – Tab 11

February 4, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 5595

**BOARD APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR SEPTIC CONSTRUCTION OVER \$30,000:
JOHN DONALESKI**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Watershed Memorandum of Agreement and the Septic System Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Contracts with New York City Department of Environmental Protection, the Catskill Watershed Corporation (“CWC”) shall act as program manager for the Septic Program and implement the Septic Program consistent with the terms of said contracts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 2:01:09 of the CWC Septic Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Rules Article 2A, if the total amount requested for reimbursement is more than Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) CWC staff shall forward the design with recommendation to the CWC Board for approval; and

WHEREAS, on May 7, 2024, by Resolution Number 5226, the CWC Board approved reimbursement to John Donaleski in an amount not to exceed Seventy-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Four Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$72,744.50); and

WHEREAS, CWC staff has reviewed an additional construction invoice of costs incurred submitted by the homeowner for the septic system repair in the amount of Six Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Four Dollars and Five Cents (\$6,274.05); and

WHEREAS, the total contractor’s invoices for this system is more than Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00); and

WHEREAS, CWC staff have determined the total reasonable cost of the additional work according to CWC Schedule of Values to be Six Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Four Dollars and Five Cents (\$6,274.05); and

WHEREAS, CWC staff have determined that Seventy-Nine Thousand Eighteen Dollars and Fifty-Five Cents (\$79,018.55) is a reasonable cost for this system in accordance with our schedule of values; and

WHEREAS, the Septic Committee has reviewed the documentation and recommend approving total reimbursement of Seventy-Nine Thousand Eighteen Dollars and Fifty-Five Cents (\$79,018.55) as it is in substantial agreement with our schedule of values.

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the CWC Board of Directors approves the eligible cost of this system for reimbursement to be the total not-to-exceed amount of Seventy-Nine Thousand Eighteen Dollars and Fifty-Five Cents (\$79,018.55).

John Donaleski Additional Cost:

Address: 572 Rossman Rd., Denver, NY 12421

Town: Roxbury

Engineer: Rex Sanford P.E.

Contractor: Maduri Excavating

The project was previously approved for \$72,744.50. Several boulders had to be removed from the absorption field and curtain drain area to complete this system. They were spread and reclaimed onsite. Removal of the boulders left voids requiring an additional 45 cubic yards of absorption fill material. Runoff from the driveway was compromising the new septic tank. The engineer directed the contractor to install 50 linear feet of swale to redirect water away from the new system. The contractor has asked to be reimbursed \$6,274.05 for the added work. We believe the cost is reasonable and just. We are requesting that the Septic Committee recommends to the Board of Directors that they accept the additional cost of \$6,274.05 for a total project cost of \$79,018.55.

Septic Over \$30,000 – Additional Cost – Steven Golden – Tab 12

February 4, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 5596

**BOARD APPROVAL OF SEPTIC CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATE
OVER \$30,000 – ADDITIONAL COSTS:
STEVEN GOLDEN**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Watershed Memorandum of Agreement and the Septic System Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Contracts with New York City Department of Environmental Protection, the Catskill Watershed Corporation (“CWC”) shall act as program manager for the Septic Program and implement the Septic Program consistent with the terms of said contracts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 2:01:09 of the CWC Septic Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Rules Article 2A, if the total amount requested for reimbursement is more than Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) CWC staff shall forward the design with recommendation to the CWC Board for approval; and

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2024, by Resolution Number 5366, the CWC Board approved reimbursement to Steven Golden in an amount not-to-exceed Forty-One Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Two Dollars and Eighty-Seven Cents (\$41,992.87); and

WHEREAS, CWC staff has reviewed an additional construction invoice of costs incurred submitted by the homeowner for the septic system repair in the amount of Two Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Two Dollars and Six Cents (\$2,662.06); and

WHEREAS, the total contractor's invoices for this system is more than Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00); and

WHEREAS, CWC staff have determined the total reasonable cost of the additional work according to CWC Schedule of Values to be Two Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Two Dollars and Six Cents (\$2,662.06) and

WHEREAS, CWC staff have determined that Forty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars and Ninety-Three Cents (\$44,584.93) is a reasonable cost for this system in accordance with our schedule of values; and

WHEREAS, the Septic Committee has reviewed the documentation and recommend approving total reimbursement of Forty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars and Ninety-Three Cents (\$44,584.93) as it is in substantial agreement with our schedule of values.

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the CWC Board of Directors approves the eligible cost of this system for reimbursement to be the total not-to-exceed amount of Forty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars and Ninety-Three Cents (\$44,584.93).

Steven Golden Backup

Address: 718 High Point Mountain Road, West Shokan, NY 14294

Town: Olive

Engineer: Rex Sanford

Contractor: Burns Enterprises LLC

This project was previously approved for \$41,922.87. Ledge rock was encountered during installation of the septic tank, dosing tank and gravity pipe. The contractor had to hammer eight hours to attain necessary depths. Excavated rock was spread and reclaimed onsite. Twenty-Four cubic yards of random fill material were brought to the site to backfill the tanks. The contractor has requested \$4,436.76 for the added work. This amount appears to be reasonable and justified. This is a secondary residence eligible for 60% reimbursement of eligible costs. $\$4,436.76 \times 60\% = \$2,662.06$. The total project cost will be \$44,584.93. The Committee recommended that a resolution be brought before the Board of Directors to reimburse Steven Golden in the amount not to exceed \$2,662.06 for additional costs to build his septic system.

Septic Over \$30,000 – Additional Cost – Roger Spahn – Tab 13

February 4, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 5597

**BOARD APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR SEPTIC CONSTRUCTION OVER \$30,000:
ROGER SPAHN**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Watershed Memorandum of Agreement and the Septic System Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Contracts with New York City Department of Environmental Protection, the Catskill Watershed Corporation ("CWC") shall act as program manager for the Septic Program and implement the Septic Program consistent with the terms of said contracts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 2:01:09 of the CWC Septic Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Rules Article 2A, if the total amount requested for reimbursement is more than Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) CWC staff shall forward the design with recommendation to the CWC Board for approval; and

WHEREAS, on November 5, 2024, by Resolution Number 5466, the CWC Board approved reimbursement to Roger Spahn in an amount not to exceed Thirty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Four Dollars and Ninety-One Cents (\$37,254.91); and

WHEREAS, CWC staff has reviewed an additional construction invoice of costs incurred submitted by the homeowner for the septic system repair in the amount of Five Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars (\$5,382.00); and

WHEREAS, the total contractor’s invoices for this system is more than Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00); and

WHEREAS, CWC staff have determined the total reasonable cost of the additional work according to CWC Schedule of Values to be Five Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars (\$5,382.00); and

WHEREAS, CWC staff have determined that Forty-Two Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-Six Dollars and Ninety-One Cents (\$42,636.91) is a reasonable cost for this system in accordance with our schedule of values; and

WHEREAS, the Septic Committee has reviewed the documentation and recommend approving total reimbursement of Forty-Two Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-Six Dollars and Ninety-One Cents (\$42,636.91) as it is in substantial agreement with our schedule of values.

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the CWC Board of Directors approves the eligible cost of this system for reimbursement to be the total not-to-exceed amount of Forty-Two Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-Six Dollars and Ninety-One Cents (\$42,636.91).

Roger Spahn Additional Cost:

Address: 2464 South River Rd., Walton, NY 13856

Town: Walton

Engineer: Steele Brook Engineering

Contractor: Jarred Robinson

The project was previously approved for \$37,254.91. The lawn was too soft for trucks to get to the absorption field area at the time of construction. One hundred-twenty linear feet of access road was needed. Additional restoration was necessary. The contractor has asked to be reimbursed \$5,382.00 for the added work. We believe the cost is reasonable and just. We are requesting that the Septic Committee recommend to the Board of Directors that they accept the additional cost of \$5,382.00 for a total project cost of \$42,636.91.

Septic Over \$30,000 – Additional Cost – Rick’s Tire Service, LLC – Tab – 14

February 4, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 5598

**BOARD APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR SEPTIC CONSTRUCTION OVER \$30,000:
RICK’S TIRE LLC - EXPANDED SEPTIC PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Watershed Memorandum of Agreement and the Septic System Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Contracts with New York City Department of Environmental Protection, the Catskill Watershed Corporation (“CWC”) shall act as program manager for the Septic Program and implement the Septic Program consistent with the terms of said contracts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 13:00:02:01 of the CWC Expanded Septic Program Rules Article 13, if the total amount requested for reimbursement is more than Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) CWC staff shall forward the design with recommendation to the CWC Board for approval; and

WHEREAS, on February 6, 2024, by Resolution Number 5156, the CWC Board approved reimbursement to Rick’s Tire, LLC in an amount not to exceed Forty-One Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars (\$41,700.00); and

WHEREAS, CWC staff has reviewed an additional construction invoice of costs incurred submitted by the property owner for the septic system repair in the amount of Two Thousand Five Dollars and Ninety Cents (\$2,005.90); and

WHEREAS, the total contractor’s invoices for this system is more than Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the CWC staff have determined the contractor’s total invoices of Forty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Five Dollars and Ninety Cents (\$43,705.90) to be a reasonable cost for this system in accordance with our schedule of values; and

WHEREAS, the Septic Committee has reviewed the documentation and recommend approving the total reimbursement of Forty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Five Dollars and Ninety Cents (\$43,705.90) as it is in substantial agreement with our schedule of values.

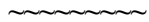
NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the CWC Board of Directors approves the eligible cost of this system for reimbursement to be the total not-to-exceed amount of Forty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Five Dollars and Ninety Cents (\$43,705.90).

Rick’s Tire LLC Backup
Expanded Septic Program

Property Owner: Richard Haight
Address: 59898 State Route 30, Grand Gorge, NY 12434
Town: Roxbury
Engineer: Steele Brook Engineering
Contractor: William Walcutt

The project was previously approved for \$41,700.00. Large amounts of debris were encountered during excavation for the tanks. Thirty cubic yards of random fill material was brought in to backfill. Four concrete blocks had to be added along the absorption area to prevent vehicles from driving on the new system. The contractor has requested \$2,005.90 for the added work. The Septic Committee recommends that the Board approves an additional reimbursement of \$2,005.90 for total reimbursement not to exceed \$43,705.90.

Voice Vote, carried unanimously.



A motion to approve Tab 15 to Tab 17, Resolution No. 5599 to Resolution No. 5601, was made by Allen Hinkley and seconded by Innes Kasanof.

Second Time Repair Eligibility – Amanda Bupp – Tab 15

February 4, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 5599

BOARD APPROVAL OF MOA SEPTIC PROGRAM - SECOND TIME REPAIR ELIGIBILITY -
AMANDA BUPP

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Watershed Memorandum of Agreement and the Septic System Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Contracts with New York City Department of Environmental Protection, the Catskill Watershed Corporation (“CWC”) shall act as program manager for the Septic Program and implement the Septic Program consistent with the terms of said contracts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 2:01:05 of the CWC Septic Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Rules (MOA Septic Program) Article 2A, CWC Board of Directors in consultation with the Executive Director may find a property eligible for funding of a septic or component thereof previously paid for by the CWC MOA Septic Program if ten (10) years has elapsed from date of construction completion and absent misuse by the Property owner; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant, Amanda Bupp, requested eligibility under the MOA Septic Program for a second time repair funding for their septic system; and

WHEREAS, CWC staff have confirmed that the Applicant’s septic system is currently failing or reasonably likely to fail in the near future, that more than ten years has elapsed from date of construction approval, and that the Applicant has not misused the septic system following the prior construction approval; and

WHEREAS, the Septic Committee has reviewed the documentation and recommends the CWC Board approve the Applicant’s eligibility for a second time repair funding from MOA Septic Program.

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the CWC Board of Directors in consultation with the CWC Executive Director approves Applicant’s request for eligibility for second time repair funding from the MOA Septic Program.

Amanda Bupp Backup

Ms. Bupp’s property is in the Town of Shandaken. This project was paid for in 2010 under our Septic Hardship Program. Following a heavy rainstorm a sink hole in the corner of the leach field appeared. We would like to do some exploratory work to find out the cause of the issue. The homeowner claims to have had a few maintenance pump outs but has never submitted for reimbursement. She is contracting her pumper to try and get proof. CWC Septic Committee recommends the CWC Board of Directors approve Ms. Bupp’s eligibility for a second time repair funded by the MOA Septic Program.

Second Time Repair Eligibility – Joe Rufrano – Tab 16

February 4, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 5600

**BOARD APPROVAL OF MOA SEPTIC PROGRAM - SECOND TIME REPAIR ELIGIBILITY -
JOE RUFRANO**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Watershed Memorandum of Agreement and the Septic System Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Contracts with New York City Department of Environmental Protection, the Catskill Watershed Corporation (“CWC”) shall act as program manager for the Septic Program and implement the Septic Program consistent with the terms of said contracts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 2:01:05 of the CWC Septic Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Rules (MOA Septic Program) Article 2A, CWC Board of Directors in consultation with the Executive Director may find a property eligible for funding of a septic or component thereof previously paid for by the CWC MOA Septic Program if ten (10) years has elapsed from date of construction completion and absent misuse by the Property owner; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant, Joe Rufrano, requested eligibility under the MOA Septic Program for a second time repair funding for their septic system; and

WHEREAS, CWC staff have confirmed that the Applicant’s septic system is currently failing or reasonably likely to fail in the near future, that more than ten years has elapsed from date of construction approval, and that the Applicant has not misused the septic system following the prior construction approval; and

WHEREAS, the Septic Committee has reviewed the documentation and recommends the CWC Board approve the Applicant’s eligibility for a second time repair funding from MOA Septic Program.

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the CWC Board of Directors in consultation with the CWC Executive Director approves Applicant’s request for eligibility for second time repair funding from the MOA Septic Program.

Joe Rufrano Backup

Mr. Rufrano’s property is in the Town of Middletown. This project was paid for in 2010 under our Priority 6 Program. The pump has stopped working and has since been replaced. The homeowner bought the house in 2021 and had a maintenance pump out done in 2024 but is unaware if the previous owner had the tank pumped out. CWC Septic Committee recommends the CWC Board of Directors approve Mr. Rufrano’s eligibility for a second time repair funded by the MOA Septic Program.

Second Time Repair Eligibility – Joe Rufrano – Tab 16

February 4, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 5601

**BOARD APPROVAL OF MOA SEPTIC PROGRAM - SECOND TIME REPAIR ELIGIBILITY -
LYNDA RUTHERFORD**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Watershed Memorandum of Agreement and the Septic System Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Contracts with New York City Department of Environmental Protection, the Catskill Watershed Corporation (“CWC”) shall act as program manager for the Septic Program and implement the Septic Program consistent with the terms of said contracts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 2:01:05 of the CWC Septic Rehabilitation and Replacement Program Rules (MOA Septic Program) Article 2A, CWC Board of Directors in consultation with the Executive Director may find a property eligible for funding of a septic or component thereof previously paid for by the CWC MOA Septic Program if ten (10) years has elapsed from date of construction completion and absent misuse by the Property owner; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant, Lynda Rutherford, requested eligibility under the MOA Septic Program for a second time repair funding for their septic system; and

WHEREAS, CWC staff have confirmed that the Applicant’s septic system is currently failing or reasonably likely to fail in the near future, that more than ten years has elapsed from date of construction approval, and that the Applicant has not misused the septic system following the prior construction approval; and

WHEREAS, the Septic Committee has reviewed the documentation and recommends the CWC Board approve the Applicant’s eligibility for a second time repair funding from MOA Septic Program.

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the CWC Board of Directors in consultation with the CWC Executive Director approves Applicant’s request for eligibility for second time repair funding from the MOA Septic Program.

Lynda Rutherford Backup

Ms. Rutherford’s property is in the Town of Hurley. This project was paid for in 2014 under our Priority 1B Program. Roots have gotten into the pipe between the house and septic tank and the pipe needs to be replaced. The homeowner had maintenance pump outs done in 2017 and 2021. CWC Septic Committee recommends the CWC Board of Directors approve Ms. Rutherford’s eligibility for a second time repair funded by the MOA Septic Program.

Voice Vote, carried unanimously.



A motion to approve Tab 18, Resolution No. 5602, was made by Thomas Hoyt and seconded by Innes Kasanof.

Septic Program Rule Change – Tab 18

February 4, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 5602

**MOA SEPTIC PROGRAM RULE CHANGE FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF PAST REPAIRS
OUTSIDE PRIORITY AREAS ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2024**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the 1997 Watershed Memorandum of Agreement (Paragraph 124) and the Septic System Rehabilitations and Replacements Program Contract (the “Septic Program”) with NYCDEP, the CWC shall act as program manager for the Septic Program and implement the Septic Program consistent with the terms of said contract and CWC’s Septic Program Rules; and; and

WHEREAS, the CWC Septic Program Rules (Article 2-A) established priority areas for the CWC Septic Program, effective on July 1, 1999; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution Number 5170, the CWC Board of Directors approved a program rule change to Article 2-A to provide for reimbursement to homeowners outside of current priority areas who repaired or replaced their septic system prior to December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, watershed residents outside of the current CWC Septic Program priority areas have rehabilitated or replaced their septic systems after December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the repair or replacement of these septic systems has been and will continue to benefit the water quality in the West of Hudson Watershed; and

WHEREAS, the CWC Septic Committee and CWC staff estimate that there is adequate funding and personnel to reimburse those residents who repaired or replaced their septic system between February 14, 2017, and December 31, 2024, regardless of whether or not those systems are located in an existing priority area

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the CWC Board approves the attached amendment of Article 2A of the CWC Septic Program Rules as described in Attachment A to provide for the reasonable and necessary reimbursement to individuals who repaired or replaced failed septic systems between February 14, 2017, and December 31, 2024, in areas within the West of Hudson Watershed but outside the CWC Septic Program priority areas.

ATTACHMENT A

Proposed changes are **underlined**.

Proposed deletions are **~~struck-out~~**.

2:00:02:01 Reimbursement for Past Completed Repairs

1. The property owner of an eligible septic system within or outside current priority areas can be reimbursed under applicable program rules for eligible costs for repairs/replacement completed on or before ~~December 31, 2023~~ **DECEMBER 31, 2024** and as provided below. For reimbursements under this section only, CWC staff need not determine if the system was in failure or reasonably likely to fail prior to the repair/replacement.
 - a. For reimbursement requests received on or after ~~March 2, 2010~~, an eligible system must have been repaired or replaced between February 14, 2017 and ~~December 31, 2023~~ **DECEMBER 31, 2024**. To be eligible for reimbursement, all homeowners must either:
 - i. Provide copy of NYCDEP Final Construction Approval; or
 - ii. For repairs/replacement that under the Watershed Regulations do not require NYCDEP Construction approval, such as in-kind septic tank replacements, either:
 1. Notify CWC within a reasonable time prior to such repair/replacement. CWC must witness the installation of repairs/replacements for which reimbursement is requested; or
 2. Submit the following to the CWC Board for approval:
 - a. Sufficient documentation, including invoices and canceled checks, demonstrating that such repair/replacement was completed and paid for; and
 - b. Affidavits signed by the homeowner and contractor, notarized by a notary public, attesting that:
 - i. The work for which reimbursement is requested was completed as described; and
 - ii. Payment was provided to the contractor as described in the documentation.

Upon receipt of all necessary documentation, and any required CWC Board approval, the CWC may pay a portion of reasonable and necessary costs of improvements made to such eligible septic system.

2. An eligible system repaired or replaced after ~~December 31, 2023~~ **DECEMBER 31, 2024** will follow Section 2:00:02:03.
3. Every property owner requesting reimbursement under the Septic Program must execute a program participation agreement.

Voice Vote, carried unanimously.

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A motion to approve Tab 19, Resolution No. 5603, was made by Thomas Hoyt and seconded by Innes Kasanof.

**FHMIP – Town of Hunter Demolition – Tab 19**

February 4, 2025

**RESOLUTION NO. 5603**

**BOARD APPROVAL OF FLOOD HAZARD MITIGATION IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM –  
DEMOLITION OF STRUCTURES LOCATED IN TOWN OF HUNTER, GREENE COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, the Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) is a not-for-profit corporation established to administer Watershed Protection and Partnership Programs as more fully described herein; and

**WHEREAS**, ninety percent of New York City’s water supply originates in the Catskill Mountain region from an area commonly referred to as the West of Hudson portion of the watershed of the New York City water supply (the “West of Hudson Watershed” or “Watershed”), which spans over 1,600 square miles and portions of five counties, forty-one towns, and eight villages; and

**WHEREAS**, the CWC, City of New York (City), all municipalities in the West of Hudson Watershed, New York State, the federal Environmental Protection Agency, and several environmental organizations recognized that the goals of drinking water protection and economic vitality within the West of Hudson Watershed communities are not inconsistent and under the 1997 New York City Watershed Memorandum of Agreement (“Watershed MOA”) agreed to cooperate in the development and implementation of watershed protection programs that maintain and enhance the quality of the City’s drinking water supply system and the economic and social character of the West of Hudson Watershed communities; and

**WHEREAS**, extensive flooding resulting from tropical storms Irene and Lee in, August and September 2011, respectively, caused catastrophic losses in certain towns and villages within the West of Hudson Watershed which affected the economic and social character of certain West of Hudson watershed communities and adversely impacted water quality in the West of Hudson Watershed; and

**WHEREAS**, as a condition of the 2014 Mid-Term Filtration Avoidance Determination Review, New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP) has agreed to fund a Flood Hazard Mitigation Implementation Program to reduce repetitive flood losses that also pose a threat to water quality during storm events, and assistance in the City funded Flood Buyout Program (City FBO); and

**WHEREAS**, on March 4, 2014, by Resolution Number 2439, the CWC Board of Directors agreed to serve as program manager of such a program to be referred to as the CWC Flood Hazard Mitigation Implementation Program (the “Program”) and approved a Program Agreement with the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Hunter approved NYCDEP Funded Flood Buyout Program purchase of certain property in the Town of Hunter known as 78 Goodrich Lane, Hunter; and

**WHEREAS**, CWC issued a request for proposal for demolition of the structures at 78 Goodrich Lane, Hunter, and such bids were due on January 29, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the CWC Wastewater Committee recommends the CWC Board of Directors enter into an agreement with Tweedie Construction Services Inc., for Forty Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$40,500.00).

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the CWC Board of Directors agree to enter in an agreement with Tweedie Construction Services Inc., for Forty Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$40,500.00) for demolition of structures of NYCDEP funded Flood Buyout Properties in the Town of Hunter.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, approval of funding by the CWC Board of Directors constitutes a preliminary decision under the 1997 Watershed Memorandum of Agreement and the decision will become final without any further action by the CWC Board of Directors unless an objection is timely filed with the Watershed Protection and Partnership Council.

*Voice Vote, carried unanimously.*

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A motion to approve Tab 20, Resolution No. 5604, was made by Arthur Merrill and seconded by Innes Kasanof.

February 4, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 5604

**CWC BOARD APPROVAL OF
PUBLIC EDUCATION III PROGRAM AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) is a local public authority established to administer watershed protection and partnership programs, including a Public Education Program developed pursuant to Paragraph 131 of the 1997 New York City Watershed Agreement; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution 2333, the CWC Board of Directors approved the Public Education II Program Agreement that provided for the continuation of the CWC Public Education Program developed pursuant to the MOA; and

WHEREAS, as a condition of the 2017 Filtration Avoidance Determination Section 10, the City is required to continue to support the Public Education Program through entering into an agreement with CWC; and

WHEREAS, CWC and New York City Department of Environmental Protection desire to continue an expanded Public Education Program, as well as a new initiative to support workforce development in West of Hudson Watershed towns; and

WHEREAS, the CWC staff recommends that the CWC Board of Directors approved the Public Education III Program Agreement attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the CWC Board of Directors approves the Public Education III Program Agreement in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of CWC be, and hereby is, authorized to execute the Public Education III Program Agreement in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A** and all such other instruments, and to perform all such other acts as may be necessary or desirable in order to carry into effect the Public Education III Program on the terms and conditions set forth in the Public Education III Program Agreement, and in furtherance of the purposes of the Watershed MOA and consistent with all such other agreements, contracts, policies and/or procedures to which CWC is bound.

Voice Vote, carried unanimously.

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A motion to approve Tab 21, Resolution No. 5605, was made by John Koiser and seconded by James Sofranko.

**Appointment of EEOC Officer – Tab 21**

February 4, 2025

**RESOLUTION NO. 5605**

**APPOINTMENT OF CWC EQUAL OPPORTUNITY OFFICER**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Personnel Polices section 2-6.05, the CWC shall have at least one equal opportunity officer, who shall report to the Executive Director on equal opportunity matters; and

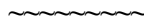
**WHEREAS**, by Resolution 233, the CWC Board of Directors appointed Danielle Cordier, CWC Staff Attorney, to be the Equal Opportunity Officer; and

**WHEREAS**, by Resolution 553, the CWC Board of Directors appointed Timothy Cox, Corporate Counsel, be appointed as Equal Opportunity Officer to replace Danielle Cordier; and

**WHEREAS**, the Policy Committee recommends that Gemma Young, Human Resources Director, be appointed as Equal Opportunity Officer to replace Timothy Cox.

**NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED**, the CWC Board appoints Gemma Young to serve as the Equal Opportunity Officer.

*Voice Vote, carried unanimously.*



A motion to approve Tab 22, Resolution No. 5606, was made by Arthur Merrill and seconded by Innes Kasanof.

**Economic Vitality Study Consultant Program Agreement – Tab 22**

February 4, 2025

**RESOLUTION NO. 5606**

**WEST OF HUDSON ECONOMIC VITALITY STUDY CONSULTANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) is a not-for-profit corporation established to administer the watershed protection and partnership programs developed pursuant to the 1997 New York City Watershed Memorandum of Agreement as well as reducing and relieving adult unemployment within the West of Hudson Watershed;

**WHEREAS**, the 2017 Revised Filtration Avoidance Determination issued by New York State Department of Health requires the City to conduct a study of the economic vitality and social character of the communities in the West of Hudson watershed (West of Hudson Economic Vitality Study); and

**WHEREAS**, New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) requested CWC to manage the West of Hudson Economic Vitality Study; and

**WHEREAS**, the CWC Economic Development recommends that the CWC Board of Directors approved the Economic Vitality Study Program Agreement to provide for the funding of such study attached hereto as Exhibit A.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the CWC Board of Directors approves the Economic Vitality Study Program Agreement in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the President of CWC be, and hereby is, authorized to execute the Economic Vitality Study Program Agreement in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A and all such other instruments, and to perform all such other acts as may be necessary or desirable in order to carry into effect the Economic Vitality Study Program Agreement on the terms and conditions set forth in the Economic Vitality Study Program Agreement, and in furtherance of the purposes of the Watershed MOA and consistent with all such other agreements, contracts, policies and/or procedures to which CWC is bound.

*Voice Vote, carried unanimously.*

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A motion to wave Rule 14 was made by Tina Molé

A motion to approve Handout Resolution, Resolution No. 5607, was made by Thomas Hoyt and seconded by Innes Kasanof.

Handout Resolution – Community Vitality Consultant

February 4, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 5607

WEST OF HUDSON ECONOMIC VITALITY STUDY CONSULTANT

WHEREAS, the Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC) is a not-for-profit corporation established to administer the watershed protection and partnership programs developed pursuant to the 1997 New York City Watershed Memorandum of Agreement as well as reducing and relieving adult unemployment within the West of Hudson Watershed;

WHEREAS, the 2017 Revised Filtration Avoidance Determination issued by New York State Department of Health requires the City to conduct a study of the economic vitality and social character of the communities in the West of Hudson watershed (West of Hudson Economic Vitality Study); and

WHEREAS, New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) requested CWC to manage the economic vitality study but CWC and DEP have not yet finalized a funding agreement to do so; and

WHEREAS, CWC issued a request for proposal for a consultant to complete the economic vitality study and responses were due by 3:00 pm on January 23, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the CWC Staff recommend the CWC Board of Directors enter into an agreement with Center for Governmental Research / Labella Associates / Urban Sense, for an amount up to Two Hundred Sixty-One Thousand Dollars (\$261,000.00) to complete the West of Hudson Economic Vitality Study from the Catskill Fund for the Future to be reimbursed from a program agreement between CWC and DEP to fund such study.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the CWC Board of Directors agree to enter in an agreement with Center for Governmental Research / Labella Associates / Urban Sense, for up to Two Hundred Sixty-One Thousand Dollars (\$261,000.00) to complete the West of Hudson Economic Vitality Study from the Catskill Fund for the Future to be reimbursed from a program agreement between CWC and DEP to fund such study.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, approval of funding by the CWC Board of Directors constitutes a preliminary decision under the 1997 Watershed Memorandum of Agreement and the decision will become final without any further action by the CWC Board of Directors unless an objection is timely filed with the Watershed Protection and Partnership Council.

Voice Vote, carried unanimously.

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**VI. Announcements from the Chair – Next meeting on Tuesday, March 4, 2025**

**VII. Adjourned at 1:17 PM**