

Minutes
CATSKILL WATERSHED CORPORATION
Wastewater/Stormwater Committee Tuesday, September 2, 2025 @ 9:00 AM

Attendees: James Sofranko (Director), Tina Mole (Director), Joseph Cetta (Director), Chris Mathews (Director), Jeff Senterman (Director), Shilo Williams (DEP).

Others: Jason Merwin (CWC), Tim Cox (CWC), Racheal Burger (CWC), Joe Bacci (CWC), Lindsay Ballard (CWC), Donald Brown (CWC), Jim Martin (CWC), Eric Lane (CWC), Jessica Fiedler (CWC), Lynn Kavanagh (CWC), Gemma Young (CWC), Barb Puglisi (CWC), Samantha Costa (CWC), Zach Baldwin-Way (CWC), Rich Parete (Director), Thomas Hoyt (Director), George Haynes (Director), Aaron Bennett (DEP), Nick Sadler (DEP), Michael MaLoney (DOH), Matt Gianetta (DEP), John Schwartz (DEP), Mike Meyer (DEP)

Via Zoom: Nick Carbone (Delaware County Watershed Affairs) and Tom Stalter (DEP). Please note that zoom was not working properly and the call would not stay connected.

The meeting was called to order by James Sofranko at 9:04 AM.

- I. Review minutes from August 5, 2025 meeting. Minutes approved as written by a motion from Joseph Cetta and the motion was seconded by Jeff Senterman. Motion carried.

1. Community Wastewater Management Program

General Project Updates:

CWMP III

Jason stated that paving is still needed in Halcottsville. He also gave an update on the Shokan project. DEC issued a notice of complete application, and the public comment period was open until September 12. 100% plans were submitted to and reviewed by DEP. There were no major concerns with DEP's comments to the design but it was noted that DEP couldn't formally issue an approval until after DEC approves. Jason gave an update to the projected bidding schedule which included: Shokan collection system and WWTP contracts being advertised on September 23rd. The remaining contracts for the Boiceville force main, Boiceville conversion, and commercial water meters would be advertised on September 30th. Bid due dates are anticipated to be October 23rd and 30th, with a prebid meeting for all contracts scheduled October 9th.

2. Future Stormwater Program

Windham Mountain Partners, LLC (Adventure Center)

Program: FSW

Address: 344 South Street Windham, NY

Engineer: Katterskill Engineers

Contractor: Ryan Martin

Tax Parcel ID: 95.06-1-3

Project Description:

On March 18, 2024 DEP approved the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) for Windham Mountain Partners LLC located in Windham, NY. Review and approval of a SWPPP to meet Watershed Regulations was required by NYC DEP. In addition, a SWPPP was required for coverage under the NYS DEC "General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Construction Activities" (GP-0-20-001).

The project consists of expanding the current Mountain Adventure Park with recreational activities including a kid's camp, art barn, playgrounds, hiking trails, pool and hot tub area, splash pad, and multiple tennis & sports courts. Stormwater controls on the site include all erosion & sediment controls, plunge pools, level spreaders, catch basins, culverts, stormwater planters, multiple bio retention basins, and underground infiltration chambers.

Windham Mountain Partners LLC submitted an application on August, 11, 2025. Engineering and construction costs with a CWC added 15% contingency totaled One Million Four Hundred Nineteen Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-One Dollars and Seven Cents (\$1,419,891.07). The applicant has elected for 50% reimbursement of all DEP and DEC stormwater costs for a total of Seven Hundred Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Five Dollars and Fifty-Four Cents (\$709,945.54). Funding for this project will be from the future stormwater program as the applicant is considered a large business.

COST BREAKOUT	
Design:	\$ 53,358.89
Construction:	\$1,181,329
Total:	\$ 1,234,687.89
15% Contingency:	\$185,203.18
TOTAL:	\$1,419,891.07
50% Election	\$709,945.54
PROGRAM ALLOCATION	
FSW Funding	\$709,945.54
MOA-145 Funding	\$0

The CWC recommends reimbursement of up to Seven Hundred Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Five Dollars and Fifty-Four Cents (\$709,945.54) from the Future Stormwater Program to Windham Mountain Partners LLC for the design and construction costs of implementing a SWPPP required by NYC DEP Watershed Regulations and NYS DEC General Permit.

Recommended Future Stormwater Funding Request not to exceed \$709,945.54

A motion was made by Joe Cetta to approve the request for funding and forward the funding request onto the CWC Board of Director's October meeting. The motion was seconded by Tina Mole. Motion carried.

3. Stormwater Retrofit Program

No new applications this month

4. Local Flood Hazard Mitigation

Property Owner: Erica Schumacher

Contact Person: Erica Schumacher

Address: 8 Conine Rd., Prattsville, NY 12468, Greene County

LFA Recommendation: Yes

Project Category: Property Protection

Phase: Feasibility Study

Project Description: Erica Schumacher is applying for Feasibility Study funding of \$5,000 to investigate potential Property Protection Measures for her home located in the 100-year floodplain at the intersection of the Batavia Kill and the Schoharie Creek. According to the Applicant, the property's basement was substantially filled by flood waters in 2011. Evidence of this was observed by CWC staff in the form of a high watermark ghosting on the interior foundation walls. The basement currently contains the home's oil tank and heating system.

Being the first of its relative kind, the 2013 Prattsville LFA did not have the foresight that more recent LFAs do and does not clearly delineate the bounds of its study area. With this in mind, Erica Schumacher's property is not explicitly shown in the 2013 LFA, as it is located just south of its loosely defined borders. However, GIS mapping provided by the DEP shows what the agency considers the affected and eligible area for LFA recommendations, which the DEP has confirmed that 8 Conine Rd. is in fact in the agency's interpretation of study area. Therefore, the CWC finds this property eligible for possible Property Protection Measures, akin to the those listed in the LFA, on the southern end on Main St.

Recommend funding a Property Protection Feasibility Study not to exceed \$5,000.00

A motion was made by Jim Sofranko to approve the request for funding and forward the funding request onto the CWC Board of Director's October meeting. The motion was seconded by Jeff Senterman. Motion carried.

Project Description:

5. Other:

- II. Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 7, 2025
- III. Adjournment 9:20 AM