

**JEFFERSON COUNTY STORMWATER COALITION**

*Towns of LeRay, Rutland, Watertown  
Villages of Black River, Brownville, Carthage, West Carthage  
City of Watertown and Jefferson County*

Minutes

Sept 15, 2022, 4:00 PM Village of Black River (in person)

1. Roll Call:
  - Brownville- Mike Walrath, Steve Mott, Pat Connor
  - Town of Watertown- Randy Vaas
  - Black River- Frank Dishaw
  - Rutland- Logan Eddy
  - City of Watertown- Seth Bailey
  - Leray – Nathan Toutant
  - Carthage- Mark Roberts
  - Jefferson County SWCD- George Birth
  - Jefferson County legislator- Mike Montigelli
  - NYSDEC Great Lakes Program/Tug Hill Commission- Emily Fell
  - Absent- Village of West Carthage, Jefferson County Planning
2. Call to Order Pat called the meeting to order at 4pm. A quorum was present.
3. Review and Approval of May 17, 2022 minutes. A motion was made to approve as written by Logan, seconded by Randy, and carried.
4. Treasurer’s Report: Nathan reported that all dues for 2022 have been received and the new balance is 170,306.64. Dues for 2022 were at \$1,000. There was discussion at previous meetings that the dues could be lowered to \$500. If the dues were lowered in 2022, then the surplus could be applied to 2023 dues. There was a motion to accept the lower dues and apply the surplus to 2023 dues by Pat, that was seconded by Logan, and carried.
5. Correspondence/Report of Secretary: Patrick Crast had shared a violation letter from EPA that had request the Town of Leray identify how they will come into compliance with minimum control measures. Discussed the need for illicit discharge/goodhouse keeping training for maintenance and operations staff, detection, and practices, outfall mapping, and Stormwater pollution prevention (SWPPP) plan review by a trained engineer. The town’s planning board is aware and they have an engineer that can help. Jefferson County SWCD can offer some assistance – George is working on getting licensed.  
  
There was some discussion of NYSDEC’s proposed changes to the Municipal Separate Stormwater Sewage System (MS4) Permit, and that it has not been finalized. George noted that the draft permit is no longer available on DEC’s website.
6. Report of Chairman: No chairman report
7. Report of Committees:

- Education and Outreach committee- haven't met in awhile but Emily is happy to set up a meeting. Asked for others interested to participate. George said he can participate on behalf of JCSWCD.

8. New Business- No new business

9. Old Business

- a. 2022 Jefferson County SWCD 2022-2025 Service Agreement

This was finalized and JCSWCD has met with everyone about outfall mapping and is working on the stormwater management plan.

- b. Vacuum Truck: Have the DEC Water Quality Improvement Project grant award and county highway dept. will be ordering, but may take awhile. Supply chain issues and inflation may impact the purchase. Jim Lawrence is working on it.

10. Next Meeting: **December 15<sup>th</sup> at 4pm- in person at the village of Black River office**

There was discussion about people not seeing and responding to emails. Some people may appreciate a phone call to remind them. Village of West Carthage email may not be working.

11. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 4:35pm by Logan, seconded by Randy, and carried.