



## **MEETING MINUTES**

### **September 15, 2022 4:30 PM**

Town of Kirkland Offices  
3699 NY-12B  
Clinton, NY 13323

#### **Present**

Jon Scott (T. of Kirkland)	Chris Burtch (V. of Oriskany)
Assemblyman Brian Miller (NYS Assembly)	Susan Jaquish (NYS Assembly)
Quinn Pratico (NYS Assembly)	Robert Rockwell (V. of Clinton)
Dana Nimey-Olney (NYS Assembly)	Alyssa Flint (Ramboll)
Kristin Campbell (HOCCPP Staff)	Amy Heiderich (HOCCPP Staff)
Alan Cole (CSC Task Force)	Shaileen Machold (Resident)
Janice and Peter Atkinson (Clinton residents)	Kenneth Ellis (Resident)
Liseli Haives (Clinton resident)	Sally Carman (CSC Task Force)
Mona Parvotti (CSC Task Force)	Steve Orvis (CSC Task Force)
Aaron Strong (CSC Task Force)	David Herman (Resident)
Katherine Collett (CSC Task Force)	Chip Barrett (Citizen)
Dan Faldzinski (Delta Engineers)	Curt Nichols (Delta Engineers)

The meeting was opened at 4:40 PM by Chris Burtch. Since there was no quorum, the meeting minutes approval and budget approval vote are tabled until the October 20, 2022 meeting.

#### **EIN and Bank Account**

- We are waiting on the Federal Tax ID number in order to open a bank account. We are hoping to have this my next month, Jon S. has been attempting to follow up for the EIN number.

#### **Delta Engineers Presentation on Findings from the St. Mary's Watershed Study**

- Identified 13 problem areas, with 8 areas of primary focus to mitigate
- Delta walked the meeting attendees through their process for the study
- They found that the detention of water prior to it getting to the village is the most important issue
  - o St. Mary's Cemetery – Expand/modify detention basin
  - o Since the 1980s, South St. has been raised by an elevation of 2-3' causing overtopping
    - Add 48" overflow culvert
    - Lower the street by 3'
  - o 3-4 driveways on west side of St. Mary's Ave with different sized culverts.
    - These culverts should be 5'
  - o The south end of South St. requires clean up to increase the flow to the next detention area and prevent erosion
  - o NY12-B culvert & College St. culvert acts as choke points – they should be resized

- All channels and choke points should be resized, citing Milk House apartments, and cleaned of debris
- Expansion of the creek banks
- At the VFW, replace 4' CMP to a 10' x 4' concrete box culvert with headwall and provide proper maintenance over time
- Difficulties in executing above suggestions:
  - Barely any slope in the village to push water
  - Low lying roadways so culverts and channels are at the largest, 4'
  - FEMA floodplains – regulations for detaining water
- The most feasible of these projects is College St./Hill and Milk House Apartments
- Public commented about the erosion under tree roots, potential widening of NY12-B near Hannaford
- Jon S. confirmed model is for a 100-year storm, so can't expect any improvement if a 500-year storm happens

### **Member Reports**

Clinton representative, Waterville representative, and Whitestown representative absent  
 Village of Oriskany – Is able to vote on budget whenever  
 Town of Kirkland – Board approval for Sherman Brook Study

### **Comments from Public Attendees**

- Why isn't FEMA buying out property? Kristin C. corrected the public by stating that in Whitesboro for Sauquoit Creek, it is not FEMA, but the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) that agreed to the buyout. John S. confirmed that some people in Kirkland did take a buyout when it was available. Kristin C. also pointed to a cost benefit analysis needing to be done if people are interested in a large scale buy out.
- Chip B. stated concerns about solar farm development near Brimfield and Utica Streets in the forest. He is hoping that OCWC/Kirkland will look at negative impacts on stormwater if the forest were to be clear cut.
  - Delta informed Chip B. that the initial plan was found deficient and suggested he attend a planning board meeting. Not much can be done at this stage since there is no proposal.
- Public would like to know how long mitigation measures would take. Delta responded with 10-15 years with DOT cooperation
- Public followed up on code enforcement issue update. Jon S. responded that there was a letter sent to the property owner.

### **Ramboll Presentation**

Neither Shaun nor Maggie was able to attend in September, Amy H. will follow up to check on planned presentation.

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting date is October 20, 2022 at the Kirkland Town Offices at 4:30 pm.

- Due to the amount of people at the September meeting and the availability of a projector, the decision was made to hold the October meeting at the Kirkland Town Offices again for the presentation.

The meeting adjourned at 5:40 pm.

