

Honeoye Lake Watershed Task Force Meeting
Honeoye Public Library
6:00 PM October 27, 2023

Meeting called to order by Terry Gronwall at 6:00pm

Present: Linda Vanderbeck (HVA), Terry Gronwall (Canadice), Dorothy Gronwall (HVA), Mark Adams (Naples), Dave Baker (Richmond), Bruce Gilman (FLCC), Betsy Landre (OC Planning Dept.) and Katie Lafler (ONTSWCD)

Approval of July 27th, 2023 meeting minutes moved MA, second DB, carried.

Approval of Financial Report moved DB, second MA, carried.

New Business:

Approval to pay OCSWCD 3Q23 Services Invoice \$744.00 moved DB, second MA, carried.

Old Business:

Discovery of European frogbit- B. Gilman, FLCC

- Waiting reply from PRISM regarding permitting for hand removal from the Inlet.

Finger Lakes Watershed Grants Program- B. Landre, OCPD

- Grant proposal submitted on 7/21/23 for funding for a CD3 boat wash station for the Honeoye Lake Public Boat Launch site. Waiting to hear results of application.
- DEC Invasive Species funding not being pursued at this time as DEC prefers the hot water system for boat wash systems. These require someone to man the station thereby increasing costs.

2023 Weed Harvesting Program Update – B. Landre, OCPD

- Harvesting has been completed for the year. Overall, very successful year.

DEC Pilot Study to Control Phosphorus in Honeoye Lake Update- T. Gronwall, HLWTF

- Data shows that the lake experienced partial weekly mixing events from late July through third week of August providing nutrients for blue-green algae blooms.
- Two (late August & mid-September) complete mixing events were observed with major blooms recorded after each mixing event.
- Total phosphorus at 25 feet deep showed a spike from late July through August.
- Level of HABs in 2023 exceeded our expectations given the DEC Alum Treatment.

Ontario County Soil & Water Conservation District Update – K. Lafler, OCSWCD

- Current GLRI grant program was completed with work occurring at Briggs Gully
- New GLRI application “Managing Hemlock Woolly Adelgid in Ontario County: Phase II” has been submitted for \$200,000. Will focus on continued work in the Honeoye and Canandaigua Lake watersheds.
- DEC WQIP Round 18 is now complete.

Sandy Bottom Park Lagoon Depth Survey– K. Lafler, OCSWCD

- Survey is complete and shows no significant change to the elevation of the weir or accumulation of sediment in the lagoon.

Town of Richmond Outlet Creek and Mill Creek shale removal update – D. Baker, Richmond

- Future efforts will focus on DEC WMA area north of the 20A bridge to reestablish the stream channel to improve flow.
- An emergency permit has been established to allow for the removal of gravel from the channel for the next 5 years.
- Construction of streambank stabilization along Mill Creek expected to start in 2026

Motion to Adjourn moved MA, seconded DB, carried.

Minutes recorded by Katie Lafler – Ontario County SWCD

Chairperson: Terry Hornum Date: 4/25/24

2024 HLWTF meeting schedule January 25, 2024 at 6 PM at the Honeoye Public Library