

**Honeoye Lake Watershed Task Force Meeting
Honeoye Public Library
6:00 PM Thursday January 25th, 2018**

Called to order by Terry Gronwall at 6:00 pm at the Honeoye Public Library.

Present: Ann Jacobs (Town of South Bristol), Alden Favro (Town of Bristol), Dan Lalonde (HVA), Terry Gronwall (HLWTF), Dorothy Gronwall (HVA), Megan Webster (Ontario SWCD), Katie Cappiello (Ontario SWCD), Dave Baker (HVA), Linda Evenski (HVA), Robert Zackowski, Bob Sloane, Karen Sloane, Carol Schoonmaker, Ed Jackson

Privilege of the Floor: none

Approval of October 26th, 2017 minutes: Moved by AJ, second by AF, carried.

TG provided an overview of Ontario County's 2018 Weed Harvesting Program. Betsy Landre will provide a report at the April HLWTF meeting. Feedback on areas of aquatic vegetation to be addressed will be appreciated.

MW provided an overview of WQIP projects in Honeoye Lake Watershed. Upcoming projects for 2018 include pre-fabricated sediment traps, debris guards, forestry BMPs and an upcoming Forestry BMP Workshop at Muller Field Station on April 17th from 6pm-8:30pm. Please see the HLWTF newsletter for photos and further information.

TG gave an overview of the TMDL process with NYS DEC and the Harmful Algal Bloom (HABs) mitigation funding proposed by the Governor. The NYS DEC created TMDL report for Honeoye Lake will be released and have a public event and comment period sometime between now and May 2018 before final approval. TG gave an overview of the TMDL process which leads to a proposed action plan to address nutrient loading and HABs. The Governor's proposal includes funding for developing lake specific plans for each of the 12 listed lakes, which includes Honeoye Lake. There will be a HABs summit in March which will have a technical component and an evening event open to the public. HLWTF and HVA will post information as it becomes available. Different strategies were discussed including alum and aeration. The chemistry, biology, permitting and funding around treatment options were also discussed. NYS DEC will be able to address the TMDL report and action items at a public event.

HLWTF newsletter will contain more information on 2017 water quality projects and will be released shortly.

HLWTF received funding through an Ontario County Water Resource Council mini-grant for a zebra and quagga mussel survey with FLCC. A zebra and quagga mussel overview of concerns and potential treatments and permitting was discussed.

New Business

Financial Report: The current balance is \$12,443.76. **Moved by DL, second by AF, carried.**

Approval to pay OCSWCD 4Q17 Services Invoices for \$533.00. **Moved by DL, second by AF, carried.**

Approval for 2018 LSL Water Quality Sample Testing for \$2,700.00. **Moved by AF, second by AJ, carried.**

TG provided an overview of Governor Cuomo's proposal to allocate \$65M launch an aggressive program to address the Harmful Algae Boom (HAB) issue in 12 high priority NYS lakes including Honeoye Lake. The proposal included \$500,000 per lake to develop lake specific plans to address HABs issues. Once the plans have been developed (anticipated late Spring 2018), grant funding will be available on a competitive basis for project implementation. NYS DEC Division of Water is developing the Action Plan with consultants and will include input from local partners. The proposal will change and the budget released April 1st 2018 will determine parameters for funding. The western regional HAB Summit will be held in March to hear more from NYS DEC about the process. The funding process will be based on competitive grants requiring cost share. As more information is known, it will be shared.

Next Meeting is April 26th, 2018 at 6 PM at Honeoye Public Library.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 7:27 pm Moved by AF, second by AJ, carried.

Minute Recorder: Megan Webster – Ontario County SWCD

Chairperson Terry Howell Date Approved 6/28/18