I. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Lattimer called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. and asked Mrs. Lando to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 5, 2019, AND JUNE 24, 2019, MEETINGS MADE BY MR. MULLEN. SECONDED BY MR. RYAN. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

III. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

A. Planning

1. Community Development Block Grant – Mrs. Dlugos informed the committee that the NYS Office of Community Renewal (OCR) has asked the County to be an applicant to finish the Woodlands project. This is a $1.5 million application which is outside of OCR’s usual funding. This is not CFA funds and is a non-competitive grant.

Ms. Lattimer asked is this for electrical upgrades? Mrs. Dlugos replied yes; this should also help with the lateral hookups for the water and sewer. The electrical needs to be completely redone and they also have some paving work. There are 96 homes in the community; mostly aged over 55 and most also meet the income guidelines for the grant money. Mr. Malter asked do the people in the park own their individual trailers? Mrs. Dlugos replied yes. Ms. Lattimer stated this is a homeowner owned park. It is a not-for-profit corporation of the residents.

MOTION: AUTHORIZING THE PLANNING DIRECTOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF HOMES AND COMMUNITY RENEWAL FOR A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT RELATIVE TO THE WOODLANDS COMMUNITY PROJECT MADE BY MR. HANNA. SECONDED BY MRS. LANDO. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 5-0. Resolution Required.

Ms. Lattimer commented she is pleased we are taking this on and that it will be finished. Mrs. Dlugos commented it will have to go through the RFP process to hire a project manager.
IV. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Stream Sampling – Mr. Morris stated he is here today to request the second year funding in the amount of $2,600 for the stream sampling program. This is part of the 9-element plan and also part of the Governor’s HAB (Harmful Algae Bloom) Program. He explained the Keuka Lake Association, along with Seneca Lake, put together a request for CFA funding for the watershed plan. One of the important elements of this plan is the stream monitoring, which we started last year. Mr. Morris commented Yates County has been quite involved in the 9-element plan. He stated that Soil & Water has identified a grant which will support the program next year and beyond and we have been working on that application. Mr. Morris stated once the 9-element plan is put together, we will identify projects and then be asking the counties and other municipalities to get behind those.

Mr. Weaver asked do you have the results of last year’s testing? Mr. Morris replied we have received the sample results and he will get that information emailed to the committee.

Mr. Mullen asked have the towns discussed any special tax district to help take care of these issues? Mr. Morris replied KWIC (Keuka Watershed Improvement Cooperative) is taking the lead on putting together the plan. We have not specifically looked at how we will do it with a tax district. This is such a big project that every municipality will have to come to the table. KWIC has a very small budget.

MOTION: AUTHORIZING AN APPROPRIATION OF $2,600 FROM THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND TO THE KEUKA LAKE ASSOCIATION FOR THE STREAM MONITORING PROGRAM MADE BY MR. MULLEN. SECONDED BY MRS. LANDO. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 5-0. Resolution Required.

Mr. Morris announced they will be holding a water quality summit on August 12, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. This will be held at Keuka College and he encouraged the Legislators to attend.

B. Use of County-Owned Land – Mr. Ryan asked with regards to the use of woodlands, at our last meeting we left off just status quo for handling and no notifications to the public? Mr. Wheeler replied correct; the more you do, the more responsibility and liability we have. Mr. Ryan asked are there any future plans for those big plots? He cannot see why they cannot be put back on the tax rolls. Mr. Wheeler replied we talked about potential sale of land and identified one parcel that could be put up for sale. We could recycle that and take another look. We had looked at nine or so properties and there was not a lot of value. Mr. Ryan stated the NYS DEC is still interested in the one fishing access site. Ms. Lattimer stated she thought we were on a plan to timber the land? Mr. Wheeler replied we are. We had thought the DEC would do the marking for free and they are pushing it out, so we are talking about doing an RFP. Mr. Ryan commented if there are any ash borers, those will need to be culled out. Mr. Wheeler stated we can take a look again at those parcels that could be put up for sale. Mrs. Lando asked if we log, where does the money go? Mr. Wheeler replied it goes into the General Fund.

MOTION: TO ADJOURN MADE BY MR. RYAN. SECONDED BY MR. HANNA. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted by Amanda L. Chapman, Deputy Clerk, Steuben County Legislature

**NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR**
Tuesday, August 13, 2019
Legislative Committee Room
9:00 a.m.

Please send agenda items to the Clerk of the Legislature’s Office
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Wednesday, August 7, 2019