PENFIELD WATERSHED MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
DATE: Monday, September 14, 2015

Town of Penfield Auditorium
3100 Atlantic Ave.
Penfield, NY 14526

MINUTES OF MEETING

ATTENDANCE: Mike Guyon, Al Broccolo, Dennis Sanzotta, Paula Metzler, Tony LaFountain, Mike O’Connor, Mark Valentine, Lisa Smith

GUESTS: Sally Bittner, Harold Mellars

1. Approval of Minutes:
   No minutes were approved due to the June 6th meeting being a field trip.

2. Project/Permits/Watershed Updates:
   Mark provided the following updates:
   - Tufa Glen: The DPW has excavated the overgrown vegetation in the ditch around the school. The school has agreed to maintain and mow the area.
   - Valley Brook/Valley Stream: Overgrown stream has been cleaned out and a large willow tree removed. The corners have been armored with stone. A section to the north side of Valley Brook still needs to be cleaned out.
   - Finger Lakes: Ditch was last cleaned in 1948 and was in need of cleaning. This project has been completed.
   - Manse Lane: The current pipe under Manse Lane was cleaned out last year. The culverts along the road have collapsed and are plugged. Eric Tait, Town of Penfield Assistant Engineer, met with the residents on-site. The DPW has scheduled Mid-September for construction.

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3. **New Business:**
   a) Drainage concerns at 55 Penfield Crescent
   - Sally Bittner of 55 Penfield Crescent addressed the committee with concern of standing water on her property. She stated that it started a few years ago when the sewers were put in. The water starts ponding on the east side of her property, causing ponding in the front and will stay for about a day. Mrs. Bittner mentions that she spoke with the engineering department last year and that the plan was to divert the water. The Town of Penfield shows no record of this plan.
   - There is currently a catch basin at the bend just south of her property.
   - Mike Guyon mentioned that he and Mark Valentine will plan on meeting with resident Bittner and properly documenting what is occurring on her property. He spoke of the soil being sandy in that area, and that the water has no place to go in this odd situation. He mentioned that there are sink holes and that the town currently has no storm sewers on the road.
   - Mark Valentine noted that the drains have been cleaned and when visiting the site with Dennis Sanzotta it seemed to have helped the situation. He agreed to take another look out there.
   - Al Broccolo asked Sally Bittner if her sump pump runs.
   - Mrs. Bittner explained that she has check her gutters, and that her sump pump has only ran once.
   - Al Broccolo explained that if the property has good sod, it is likely to hold water and should be aerated.
   - Bittner mentioned that the house across the road also holds water that it never had before.
   - Valentine decided to further discuss this after revisiting the site with Bittner and Guyon.

   b) Bay Breeze Estates ditch cleaning
   - The Town of Penfield recently received a letter from an attorney’s offices about drainage issues. The ditch is described as being choked with vegetation. The area does have an association, however this is the town’s drainage way with easements. The problem seems to be occurring between the location of 12 Autumn Trail and 16 Autumn Trail.
   - Valentine and Sanzotta recently visited the to the site and noticed no signs of any obvious erosion
   - Mike Guyon expressed concern of having to go in there every year if we go in there now.
   - Committee is interested in contacting Rochester Lawn, and what they say about mowing the channel to clear vegetation.
c) Pond Treatment recommendations
   - Committee members received a hand out with a list of Pond Treatment Recommendations, including: Tolewood Pond, Newbury Park South Pond, Glenbrook Ponds, and Harvest Walk Pond. Photos of the ponds were displayed for the committee.
     1. Tolewood Pond: Contains algae and weeds. Low priority as there have been no complaints.
     2. Newbury Park South Pond: Algae all over, very green with standing water. This pond backs up to Thousand Acre Swamp.
     3. Glenbrook Ponds: Currently the ponds contain plants and sediment. The south pond was dredged last year. Eastern pond is full of lily pads. It was discussed to remove lily pads and treat all three ponds with enzymes instead of dredging.
     4. Harvest Walk Pond: This pond is completely overgrown and is suggested to be tested.

The committee would like to see three quotes for pond treatments, and to create a priority list between the above ponds.

4. Public Participation:
   Harold Mellars spoke of pond maintenance needs for the Glenbrook Ponds.

5. News, Information, & Updates:
   North East of Five Mile Line Road and Atlantic Avenue is the proposal of 86 lots to be developed. The neighbors are concerned with potential drainage problems. The proposal shows a berm along Atlantic Avenue, and a meeting is being arranged with the county regarding the access points.

6. Next Meeting:
   October 5, 2015

7. Adjournment:
   Meeting adjourned at 7:51 PM.

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