

**RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
JULY 15, 2015**

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present: K. Graves, D. Fanton, N. Ungermann, C. Crandall (Absent: A. McGraw, T. O'Grady)

Others Present: M. Alger, L. Ballengee, L. Bliven, C. Braack, H. Budinger, D. Decker, K. Dirlam, D. Healy, R. Hollis, T. Hopkins, C. Jessup, K. LaForge, T. Miner, B. Riehle, T. Ross, C. Santora

Media Present: No media present

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at approximately 1:03 p.m. by Resource Management Committee Chairman Karl Graves.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator Fanton, seconded by Legislator Ungermann, and carried to approve the Resource Management Committee minutes of June 17, 2015.

County Historian

Monthly Report

County Historian Craig Braack was in attendance at the meeting, saying he had nothing to report at this time.

Soil & Water Conservation

Monthly Report

Soil & Water Conservation Executive Director Scott Torrey was unable to attend the meeting as he was out assessing damage caused by the previous night's storm.

Cornell Cooperative Extension

Monthly Report

Cornell Cooperative Extension Agriculture & Natural Resources Issue Leader Lynn Bliven gave a brief summary of Cooperative Extension activities, saying that the Fair is in progress and is going well. However, last evenings heavy rains had flooded some of the barns. She added that this summer's weather has affected the growing season...the wet conditions being ideal for insects and diseases among the crops. She also said she has been fielding a lot of questions about ponds from residential pond owners, regarding winter kill and weed control. Ms. Bliven said that Cooperative Extension would be hosting two vegetable meetings next week: one on pesticides and the other on organic management. Following her report, Committee members lobbed several questions at Ms. Bliven regarding organic pesticides, whether we in NYS consider soil temperature during planting season, what is keeping pea plants from producing fruit, etc. There was also some discussion on invasive vegetation species

and Ms. Bliven directed interested parties to the Cornell Cooperative Extension website for additional information.

Youth Bureau

Monthly Report

Youth Bureau Director-Linda Edwards was unable to attend the meeting as she was manning the Traffic Safety Booth at the Allegany County Fair. However, her report was attached to the meeting agenda.

New Business

Clerk of the Board Brenda Rigby Riehle stated that it is time for Soil and Water Conservation District to review Ag District #1. Although there are several formal actions that need to be taken, there was no need to take action at this time. She added that there is a 300-day timeline being constructed by Mr. Torrey to handle this review.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:18 p.m. following a motion by Legislator Fanton, seconded by Legislator Ungermann, and carried

Respectfully submitted,
Cynthia Santora, Secretary to the Clerk of the Board
Allegany County Board of Legislators