

Meeting Summary

Cazenovia Lake Watershed Council

Organizational meeting: October 8, 2008

Members of the Council in attendance: Kurt Wheeler, Russ Brownback, Bill Zupan, Stan Maziuk, Liz Moran

Members of the public in attendance: Sparky Christakos

- Kurt Wheeler agreed to serve as Chairman
- The group developed the following vision and mission statements to guide their activities:

Vision: The Cazenovia Lake Watershed Council will provide an effective forum for stakeholders to come together to find effective long-term solutions that will protect and restore the environmental health and recreational quality of Cazenovia Lake and watershed.

Mission:

- (1) Gather expert advice
 - (2) Reach consensus on proactive long-term solutions
 - (3) Identify and prioritize action steps
 - (4) Make recommendations to our respective legislative bodies and partners for implementation
- The Lake Summit was discussed. This is organized by the CLA and will be held on Saturday, November 15, 2008 at the High School. Kurt offered assistance with logistics if needed. Draft (preliminary) agenda was circulated. Stan explained the concept of the leadership group and the resource group.
 - The Council reviewed the lake watershed goals and action steps in the recently-adopted comprehensive plan. Several items were discussed:
 - The Village will consider defining a watershed zone. Liz to send Kurt the town's stormwater management law for consideration
 - The Town will investigate the regulatory status of the critical environmental area designation, as it is unclear whether the area was formally submitted to the state

- Council will gather model ordinances on pesticide and fertilizer applications for consideration in town and village legislative agendas
 - Educational opportunities were discussed. Might the Summit be videotaped and broadcast on public access? At a minimum, need to have a plan for summarizing and disseminating the outcome.
 - Council will discuss with CPF their progress with identifying priority parcels for protection
 - Council will consider a recommendation on boat size and horsepower
- From the review of the comprehensive plan, it is clear that the Council has to set priorities. Some items will need to be deferred.
- The bylaws in the enabling resolution for the IMA creating the Council called for (at least) quarterly meetings. Consensus that more frequent meetings (monthly?) will be needed, especially at the beginning.
- The second Tuesday may be a good time. Meetings will be publically noticed and listed on town and village web site calendars.
- The next meeting will be scheduled shortly after the Summit, target date 11/19 at 7 pm, town office (Note: Linda Mather has prepared a public notice for this meeting; leadership group from Summit will be invited).
- Discussion of the lake access issue. Residents have come to Town and Village Boards with concerns. Role of Council will be to gather information, reach consensus, and make recommendations to the elected boards. Village expects to conduct public hearings and make revision (as needed) to current policy early 2009 (January – February).
- Concerns on lake access generally categorized as follows:
 - Number of spots available to non-residents/non IMA
 - Hours of access
 - Thoroughness of inspections for invasive species
 - Percent of time that inspections are completed
 - Lack of adherence to 100 ft buffer guideline
 - Regulations on private marinas

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

Meeting summary prepared by Liz Moran