

# Lake Erie Management Commission

## Meeting Minutes

9:00 AM Monday October 20, 2014  
SUNY Fredonia Incubator  
214 Central Avenue  
Dunkirk, NY, 14048

### Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order by Chairman George Borrello at 9:00 am.

### Approval of Minutes

- The minutes of the August meeting were approved.

### Public Expression

- None

### Chairman's Comments

- Chairman Borrello noted that the public service announcements regarding yard waste management had been broadcast in the Dunkirk area.

### Coordinator's Comments

- See the attached update from Dave McCoy

### Committee Reports

- Education Sub-Committee
  - Yard Waste Brochure – Digital copies of the brochure will be distributed to the Commission members for their use. Printed copies will be available once the County Print shop is done printing them.
  - Yard Waste Public Service Announcement – PSAs are being broadcast in the Dunkirk and Jamestown radio markets.
  - PowerPoint Presentation – Updates to the PowerPoint presentation have been made and the presentation is available for Commission members' use.

### Member/Partner Reports

- LEWPA
  - Joanna Panasiewicz said that LEWP funding is nearly depleted.
  - The watershed surveys are due to be returned; however, only two were returned from Chautauqua County so far.

- The LEWPA inter-county agreement is being drafted by the Erie County Attorney. Once drafted, the agreement will be sent to Chautauqua and Cattaraugus Counties for review.
  - The next LEWPA meeting is in Brant, NY on November 26.
- Lake Erie Beaches
  - No report

### **Old Business**

- Dredging at Dunkirk and Hanover
  - Chairman Borrello noted that the passage of the WRRDA bill may unlock additional funding for these two projects.
- Chautauqua Creek Fish Ladder
  - Dave Spann noted that the project is ready for construction in 2015.
- Local Watershed Redevelopment Plan
  - No report

### **New Business**

- Dave Spann said that the Chautauqua County Soil & Water District plans to submit applications to the US Fish & Wildlife Service for restoration projects on Canadaway Creek (\$50k) and Crooked Brook (\$130k).
- Zen Olow noted that the Association of Great Lakes Outdoor Writers (AGLOW) will have an event at the Chautauqua Institution in Sept-Oct of 2016.
- Zen also noted that the 2015 Great Lakes Experience event is scheduled for August 15, 2015.
- Zen concluded with making the group aware of the NYSDEC's public meeting concerning the NYS Open Space Plan would be held this Wednesday and that efforts should be made to coordinate more fishing tournaments, especially College level events, which are gaining popularity.

### **Summary of Actions Taken**

- None taken

### **Schedule Next Meeting**

- The next meeting will be held in Portland at the Lake Erie Research and Extension Laboratory on November 24 at 9:00 am.

### **Adjourn**

- A motion to adjourn was made by Doug Richmond and seconded by Zen Olow. The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 am.