

Organization River Area Council of Governments

Board Executive Board

Date and Time Tuesday, November 17 2009 at 7:00 PM

Place Town of Champion Municipal Building, 10 N Broad St., West Carthage NY

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Minutes

**River Area Council of Governments
November 17, 2009**

Members present: T. Buckley, M. Franchini, W. McIlroy, R. Peluso, P. Smith, T. Stewart and R. Vary

Absent: S. Burto

Others: K. Amyot, P. Street, and L. Gibbs

Chairman McIlroy called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:00pm. The meeting was opened for public comment. No one from the public spoke.

Motion by M. Franchini, seconded T. Buckley to approve the minutes of June 16, 2009 as presented. Ayes-7, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Motion by P. Smith, seconded by R. Vary to approve the treasurer's report for July - November 2009. Ayes-7, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Reports

Members reviewed the Circuit Rider's report. Ms. Amyot highlighted the status of particular initiatives. Ms. Amyot discussed the activities of the Recreation Committee and asked what the Council's expectations are for the committee. W. McIlroy questioned if the committee had prepared recommendations regarding the Twin Village swimming facility. Ms. Amyot responded that they had discussed issues relative to the facility but that a report was not available. The Council requested that the committee make recommendations regarding the summer swim program at the municipal facility, evening swimming at the school and advancement of the Natural Bridge ball field project.

Ms. Amyot reported that the SuperCOG meeting is scheduled for December 10th in Pulaski. T. Buckley will attend to represent RACOG. The THC Board of Commissioners will meet at the T/Champion Municipal Building on Wednesday, December 9th at 10am. A luncheon will be served.

New Business

Phil Street introduced Lynn Gibbs, a THC natural resource specialist, to discuss a study to determine the circulation patterns of wildlife between the Adirondacks and the Tug Hill plateau. Maps and written text were distributed.

Members reviewed the 2010 preliminary budget for the RACOG Cooperative ZBA. Motion by T. Stewart, seconded by P. Smith to approve the budget as presented. Aye-6, Nays-0, Abstained-1. R. Peluso abstained since the V/West Carthage is not a participant. Motion carried.

Motion by P. Smith, seconded by M. Franchini to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:52pm. The next meeting is scheduled for December 15, 2009.

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