# ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, June 9, 2016, 7:00-9:00

Members present: Alan Wrigley, Sal Ervolina, John Salvador, Barbara Simms, Cyndi Didio, Bud Maddocks, Len Simms, Sarah Landers, Bill Green, Phill Mitchell

Other Participants: John Strough, Dave Decker, Rich Gordon

#### **Transfer Law Workshop**

John Salvador attended the May workshop and reported that Town Board members Brian Clements and Tony Metivier have been charged with investigating the topic. There are some issues associated with this proposal that need to be considered, including an enforcement provision. Another workshop is to be held on June 13<sup>th</sup>.

#### **May Minutes**

An 8 am meeting time was corrected to read 8 pm. Otherwise, the minutes were approved as written.

Inspection Worksheet – Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (OWTS)

Dennis Dickinson gave permission to use the Inspection Worksheet that had been developed by the Town of Lake George Board of Health, Septic Initiative Program. The Advisory Board recommended a number of changes and the revised form was approved for use with this year's inspections. A copy will be included in the June mailing to district residents and the form can be found on the Town of Queensbury web page. Dave Decker will formulate it to be an electroncially "fill-able" form.

### 2015 Site Visit Information and GIS Data Entry

Dave Decker showed the Advisory Board one entry in the Septic System Data Base. To date, only one entry exists. The Board expressed its dissatisfaction with the quantity and quality of the site visits completed in 2015 in that:

- 1. No helpful information was shared with homeowners who'd had a site visit last summer.
- 2. Many homeowners characterized their site visit as a "10 minute conversation" that did not increase their knowledge of their septic system.
- 3. The Advisory Board has not seen the data collected for last years site visits and as a result is unable to decide if we're getting what we needed and wanted from these visits.

For this site visit season, it was suggested that phone calls be made in order to schedule a visit and that a post card be sent as a follow-up if initial contact could not be made.

## **Update on Matching Grants from the Fund**

There was no new information from The FUND regarding the matching grant

program. Algae testing will be done during the second or third week of July.

Any homeowner who is considering applying for a grant in 2016 needs to set up a pre-design meeting with Chris Navitsky at The FUND. The link to the application is: <a href="http://fundforlakegeorge.org/wastewatergrant">http://fundforlakegeorge.org/wastewatergrant</a>

### **Annual Meeting**

The District #1 Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup> from 10:30-11:00 am, preceding the Dunhams Bay Association meeting at 11 am. The Advisory Board will arrange for coffee beginning at 10 am and will contact enhanced septic system vendors to request brochures for meeting attendees. An invitation will be included in the district-wide June mailing. Four Advisory Board members are up for reelection for three-year terms.

## **Next Meeting**

Thursday, July 7, 2016, 7pm, Supervisor Strough's Conference Room