

**KEUKA WATERSHED IMPROVEMENT COOPERATIVE
MINUTES AUGUST 24, 2015
VILLAGE OF PENN YAN**

Chair Steve Butchko called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm. The following commissioners were in attendance: Butchko (Wayne), John Webster (Urbana), Leslie Church (Milo), William Weber (Pulteney), Anne Green (Hammondsport), Patrick Killen (Jerusalem), Leigh Mackerchar (Penn Yan) Barrington was not represented. Manager Colby Petersen was present. Guests were Bill Laffin, Dennis Carlson, Al Wahlig, Mark Morris.

Following the pledge to the flag, the minutes of July 27 were approved as emailed. The Bookkeepers' written report was reviewed and approved. The contract with DSD is still pending - re the budget item for 2016.

Contract Manager's report: Each Municipality was given a copy of its inspection report. Also the Manager's July activities was distributed: 18.71 units of time were performed at a cost of \$2,712.71. Discussion of the Policy and Practices as compared to the Wastewater Law took place. The only inconsistency was the frequency of the holding tank inspections which we had changed to every three years, whereas the Law requires annual. It was determined to go with the annual inspection so as to avoid amending the Law. (Note Petersen sent the corrected Policy and Practices dated August 25, 2015 to commissioners on August 25).

Sustainable Keuka report scheduled for Wayne on Sept. 14, Urbana/Hammondsport Oct. 5, Pulteney October 14. Barrington will schedule for November and Milo/Penn Yan in the spring. It is advised that not only municipal boards attend but also Planning and Zoning Board members attend.

A discussion was initiated concerning KWIC's future role. Now we are concerned with septic systems: some feel we have a handle on this and should consider other issues and broaden our mission. Since KWIC is the only governmental body which brings the Keuka communities together for discussion it is logical to move to other issues affecting water quality. Others feel that there is already push back about more oversight of the municipalities.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Next meeting September 28, 2015, 7:00pm Town of Barrington.