



**REGULAR MEETING
CAYUGA LAKE WATERSHED INTERMUNICIPAL ORGANIZATION
Wednesday November 15, 2023 @ 7:00 by zoom**

AGENDA

1. Call to order.

2. Consider approval of Minutes, Financial Report, and Bills.

Resolution to approve minutes and finance report.

RESOLVED that the CWIO approves the minutes of their 10/25/23 meeting and accepts the financial report ending 10/31/23 with a balance of \$260,363.57.

3. Watershed Manager – An introduction and Welcome to Isaac Walker

For those who can't make the CWIO meeting, here is a little introduction from Isaac:

Hello everyone! My name is Isaac Walker and I am the new CWIO Watershed Manager. As Liz mentioned I have a degree in Environmental Science with a minor in Watershed Management from Mansfield University. I come from Susquehanna County, PA, specifically Dimock, where I grew up on a small livestock farm. As I like to say, I enjoy the “typical environmental science things”, hunting, fishing, hiking, and more recently I’ve discovered a passion for kayaking. Maybe more interestingly I also play the banjo and I like to work on old tractors, especially Farmalls (hopefully there are no John Deere fans here!). I’m excited to start this new role at the end of November and meet you all.

4. Organizational for 2024

5. Salt mine proposed legislation - update

6. Chair Report

7. Committee Reports

- a. Executive Committee
- b. Education, Public Participation and Outreach Committee (EPPOC)
- c. Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
- d. State Outreach -

8. Reports from Partners (Partner organizations are encouraged to give a short report of activities pertaining to water quality. For a significant time on the CWIO agenda, please contact CWIOchair@gmail.com in advance)

- a. County Water Quality Advisory Committees (WQCC in Seneca, WRC in Tompkins, WQMA in Cayuga).
- b. County Planning Departments
- c. County Highway Departments
- d. County Soil and Water Conservation Districts
- e. County Health Departments
- f. County Cornell Cooperative Extensions
- g. County Legislators or Board of Supervisor Representatives
- h. Individual Municipalities (elected or staff)
- i. Cayuga Lake Watershed Network (CLWN)
- j. Community Science Institute (CSI)
- k. Finger Lakes Land Trust
- l. Cayuga Lake Environmental Action Now (CLEAN)
- m. Discover Cayuga Lake

- n. Other Finger Lakes Intermunicipal Organizations or Associations
- o. Finger Lakes Institute (FLI)
- p. Finger Lakes PRISM (Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management)
- q. NYS Water Resource Institute
- r. Finger Lakes Water Hub
- s. The Nature Conservancy
- t. Finger Lakes Action Agenda

9. General Announcements

10. Adjourn



Cayuga Lake Watershed Intermunicipal Organization (CWIO)

Wednesday, October 25, 2023

Held by zoom

Minutes

Members, Associate Members, and Ex-Officio Members Present:

VOTING MEMBERS AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS	
Susan Ainslie – Village of Lansing	Roxanne Marino – Town of Ulysses
Jackie Cassaniti – Town of Caroline	Gary Mutchler – Town of Scipio
Tony DelPlato – Village of Interlaken	Kelly O’Hara – Town of Aurelius
Kent Hubbell – Village of Cayuga Heights	Don Slocum – Town of Genoa
Tee-Ann Hunter – Village of Aurora	Dave Sprout – Town of Dryden
Roxy Johnston – Town of Catharine	Liz Thomas – Town of Ulysses
Margaret Johnson – Town of Ithaca	Seth Thomas – Town of Lodi
Darby Kiley – Tompkins County	Michele Wunderlich – Cayuga County
Anne Koreman – Tompkins Co Legislature	
PARTNERS	
Doug Barnes – Tompkins Health	Rebecca Minas – B&L
Michael Boggs – Town of Ulysses	Erin Peruzzini – Seneca Co. SWCD
Adam Effler – Director, OLWMC	Emily Royce - GFLRPDB
Doug Kierst – Cayuga Co SWCD	Grascen Shindemantle - CSI
Liz Kreitinger - CLWN	Ryan Staychock – Seneca and Cayuga CCE
Aaron McKeon - CNYRPD	Tony Prestiagiacomio – DEC Finger Lakes Hub
Keith McCafferty	

Agenda Item 1: call to order

Agenda Item 2: Resolution to approve minutes and monthly financial report

RESOLVED that the CWIO approves the minutes of their 9/27/23 meeting and accepts the financial report ending 9/30/23 with a balance of \$259,201.39

Moved by Tee-Ann Hunter and seconded by Roxy Johnston. Vote: unanimous in favor.

Agenda item 3: Implementation of the Owasco Watershed Clean Water Plan (9E for phosphorus reduction) and brief update on Watershed Rules and Regulations status – Adam Effler Executive Director of the Owasco Lake Watershed Management Council, Inc.

Adam Effler noted that the Owasco Lake Watershed Management Commission (OLWMC) is a 501(c)(3) company, unlike CWIO, making it eligible to apply for and hold grants. The 9 Element Plan for phosphorous reduction (9E-P) uses modeling data to identify actions needed to reduce phosphorus. The Owasco watershed has 55% of the land in agriculture which according to a Soil and Water Assessment Tool (SWAT) model contributes the greatest percentage of phosphorus (90%) to

the lake. The highest contributions of P to the lake are in the northern part of the watershed. Having a 9E plan is a benefit in certain grant funding applications. Cayuga County received \$457,840 for critical streambank stabilization and has applied for numerous other grants to keep fertilizers and nutrients on the land. OLWMC was able to learn from the Skaneateles Lake Project (and other lakes); they showed the advantages of cover crops and BMP's. Some of the other organizations they partnered with were the Great Lakes Commission (they received \$10,000 from the "Conservation Kick" program), Lake Friendly Living, the Finger Lakes Land Trust. [See Adam's presentation](#) or contact him at ajpeffler.olwmc@gmail.com and www.olwmc.org

Agenda item 4: Why Consider Adopting a Drinking Water Source Protection Plan (DWSP2) –
Rebecca Minas

The City of Ithaca completed their Drinking Water Source Protection Plan (DWSP2) in 2022 with technical assistance from Barton and Loguidice. [See the plan.](#) NYS provides funding for DWSP2 development. The deadline for the next round of funding is November 14th at 4pm. In 1992 the SWAP evaluation source water was "top down". The DWSP2 program was initiated in 2017 and is more "bottom up"—a much more grassroots effort. The City of Ithaca was awarded funding in the first round. Their water source is from source water that is partly outside the city where they have no land use control. These plans are for small, medium and large public water supplies. There are 8 key components including visions and goals, implementation and an inventory of contamination sources map to ID the pollutants and develop protection strategies. Other examples mentioned by Rebecca are the Town of Holland (Erie County) and the Town of Ellicottville (Cattaraugus County). There are 74 participating municipalities, 2,261,433 consumers and 67 sources assessed. Contact Rebecca at minus@bartonandloguidice.com.

[See her presentation.](#)

[See a guide to the DWSP2 program.](#)

Questions: Who gathers the data? RM: the technical advisors; sometimes there is some GIS capabilities in-house, like Bolton Point. Comment: If a municipality wants a protection plan, now is the time to do it. Q: Is this only available to public water sources? Wells College has a private water source. RM: Cornell is working on one now. Q: Can your power point be forwarded to other municipalities? RM: Yes

Agenda item 5: Chair Report – Liz Thomas

- CWIO has a new Watershed Manager but his name cannot be announced until the paperwork is final.
- CWIO recommendations for the NYS Environmental Bond funding was submitted on time to the state.
- Salt Mine: Senator Webb and Assemblywoman Kelles wrote a joint letter of concern about the Cargill salt mine not having an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Many residents do not realize there is a salt mine under the lake.
- Leadership: Liz reminded CWIO that her term as chair will expire at the end of December and that CWIO will need a new chair.
- Organizational: Likely most of the annual organizational work needed will be finalized in January since Isaac is just coming on and many local elections may change the make up of CWIO.

- November CWIO meeting is on 11/15. If CWIO decides to have a December meeting, it will be on 12/20.

Agenda item 6: Committees

- Executive Committee – see chair report
- Education, Public Participation and Outreach Committee (EPPOC) –
 - This committee is working on their recommendations for 2024 and developing a speaker list to choose from. They are considering pairing up with other organizations for education and training opportunities.
- Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) -
 - A grant to do a stream assessment on Six Mile Creek—the City of Ithaca’s drinking water supply. Darby reached out to Laurent Towney from the DEC to come talk to CWIO about how water bodies are included (or not) on the 303(d) lists. She will be speaking at the January 24 CWIO meeting.
- State Outreach –
 - Tee-Ann remains in touch with staff and state elected officials focusing on taking action regarding the [CWIO recommendations to the State](#) especially the sections asking the stateto share the funding burden for watershed managers and to ensure that SWCDs are properly staffed and funded. She has a meeting set up with Senator May’s office to discuss the possibility of a Finger Lakes lobby day. She is beginning to reach out to others in the Finger Lakes about this possibility.
- Membership
 - This committee work has been folded into that of the Executive Committee but can be relaunched as an independent committee if committee members can be found.

Agenda item 7: Reports from Partners

Seneca County

Erin Peruzzini reported that SWCD is completing a road bank stabilization project on Swick Road in Romulus as well as hydroseeding in Romulus, Varick and Fayette. They are completing a 3-year cover-crop grant with 1,000 acres on Cayuga Lake.

Cayuga County

Michele Wunderlich shared the speaker list being developed by the Cayuga County Water Quality Management Agency (WQMA)

Tompkins County

Legislature: Anne Koreman noted that a resolution on the Cargill salt mine will be before the Legislature on 11/8.

Water Management Council:

- Darby reported that the WMC is also submitting a letter about the salt mine asking specific questions about why certain information is not public, what happens when the mine is sold.
- She also mentioned the existing aquifer studies that have been completed in Tompkins County. While not all the county has been mapped, many have.

- Municipal training will be held on 11/13 from 6-7:30 about planning and mapping tools. [Register.](#)

Community Science Institute – Grascen Shidemantle

CSI will be holding a “data jam” on 11/3 for participants to better understand the CSI database and be able to use it to answer their own questions.

Cayuga Lake Watershed Network

Liz Kreitinger announced the CLWN Community Conference will be held in early December. More to come

They are working to install a decontamination station at Myers Point to clean invasive species from boats.

Cayuga and Seneca County Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE)

Ryan Staychock announced the CCE annual meeting will be at Charlie’s in Cayuga County. Jean Bonatol will be speaking about the benefits of composting.

Central NY Regional Planning and Development Board

Aaron McKeon announced a workshop developed by the DEC and others geared toward municipalities titled *Crosswalking Water Resources with Climate Smart Communities* on 11/2 from 9-4:30 in Auburn. There is a \$35 registration fee.

Finger Lakes Hub

Tony Prestigiacomo from the DEC Finger Lakes Hub announced they have filled a vacant position which will help them keep up with their work better.

Agenda Item 8: adjourn. Roxy Johnston made a motion to adjourn.

Submitted by Jackie Cassaniti and Liz Thomas

CAYUGA LAKE WATERSHED INTERMUNICIPAL ORGANIZATION
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FINANCIAL REPORT - FISCAL YEAR 2023

As of October 31, 2023

MONTH	BEGINNING BALANCE	REVENUES			EXPENSES		ENDING BALANCE
		INTEREST	DUES	OTHER	HWS - Manager	OTHER	
January	\$ 215,712.98	\$ 750.94	\$ 2,950.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 215,913.92
February	215,913.92	729.99	19,926.56	25,486.39	19,919.30	1,430.02	240,707.54
March	240,707.54	909.93	7,335.50	-	-	-	248,952.97
April	248,952.97	959.36	3,427.50	-	-	-	253,339.83
May	253,339.83	1,022.43	3,636.50	-	23,558.14	330.00	234,110.62
June	234,110.62	980.70	21,094.75	-	-	-	256,186.07
July	256,186.07	1,067.42	-	-	-	281.25	256,972.24
August	256,972.24	1,122.53	-	-	-	-	258,094.77
September	258,094.77	1,106.62	-	-	-	-	259,201.39
October	259,201.39	1,162.18	-	-	-	-	260,363.57
November	260,363.57	-	-	-	-	-	260,363.57
December	260,363.57	-	-	-	-	-	260,363.57

Revenue:	Interest - 1/01/23 - 12/31/23	\$ 9,812.10
	DOS Grant - Final Payment	\$ 25,486.39
	Parks Grant Payment	
	Membership Dues - 2022	\$ 2,950.00
	Membership Dues - 2023	\$ 55,420.81
	Total Revenue:	<u>\$ 93,669.30</u>

Expense:	Hobart William Smith - Manager Expenses	\$ 43,477.44
	Other Expense:	
	Flourish Design studio	4,111.25
	E. Thomas reimbursement (zoom and domain)	169.89
	Hobart William Smith - lan contract	1,260.13

Total Expense:	<u>\$ 49,018.71</u>
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**Cayuga Lake Watershed Intermunicipal Organization
Work Plan, Members and Officers for 2024**

APPROVAL OF CAYUGA LAKE WATERSHED INTERMUNICIPAL ORGANIZATION (CWIO) ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER

Annually approve the *Administrative Center* (per CWIO bylaws)

Resolved that the Town of Ithaca is approved by the Cayuga Lake Watershed Intermunicipal Organization (CWIO) to be the official *Administrative Center* for 2024 as is specified by the CWIO bylaws.

Moved: ____ Seconded: ____ Vote ____:

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2024 BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED that CWIO approves the Proposed 2024 Cayuga Lake Watershed Budget as submitted.

Moved: ____ Seconded: ____ Vote ____:

2024 CWIO Budget

DESCRIPTION	REVENUES	EXPENSES	CWIO BALANCE
		Beginning balance	\$215,712
Dues from municipalities (estimated)	\$73,800		\$334,164
Watershed Manager (salary, fringes, office, travel, etc)		\$90,000	\$244,164
Grant expenses (match contributions)		\$0	
Grant income	\$0		
Education and Outreach (estimates)		\$5,000	\$239,164
Monitoring		\$5,000	\$234,164
In person meeting expenses		\$1,000	\$233,164
Other planned (zoom license, admin, postage)		\$3,000	\$230,164
Other planned (unplanned)		\$3,000	\$227,164

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CWIO ANNUAL WORK PLAN – 2024

RESOLVED that the CWIO membership adopts the following CWIO work plan and focus areas for 2024.

Moved: ____ Seconded: ____ Vote ____:

CWIO GOALS 2024
Increase membership and engagement of municipalities within the watershed by meeting with municipalities directly to describe CWIO goals, benefits, accomplishments, and services.
Analyze financial needs of CWIO to ensure stable future funding for the CWIO <i>Watershed Manager</i> that will enable CWIO to continue momentum at advancing projects and actions that improve and protect water quality within the watershed.
Implement projects Pursue a minimum of 2 projects based on: impact on the lake, resources available for implementation, willing partners. Projects should have relevance to the RPP, HABs Action Plan for Cayuga Lake, recently prioritized CWIO project lists, recommended CWIO focus areas, or other area based on a justified need.

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<p>CWIO GOALS 2024</p> <p>Communications CWIO will establish and maintain connections with other entities working on water quality. CWIO will act as a consensus builder to expand best practices in water quality protection work and increase collaboration among watershed partners, county-wide water quality groups; county departments with responsibilities for health, safety and welfare of the community; Soil and Water Conservation Service offices, individual CWIO member municipalities; water quality advocacy groups such as the Cayuga Lake Watershed Network and the Community Science Institute, state and regional organizations, etc .</p> <p>CWIO will provide information directly to municipalities that increases awareness of issues affecting water quality and the role municipalities have in protecting the watershed. CWIO will regularly provide municipalities with information about funding opportunities, resources, training, demonstrations of successful implementation of Best Management Practices, etc. CWIO will use its website to provide model laws and resources that municipalities can use to protect water quality, not only benefiting those living within their borders but also for those downstream.</p> <p>Support education and training events occurring throughout the watershed. CWIO will work with other groups/organizations to on educational/training events geared toward municipalities. Suggested partners: County-wide Water Resource Councils; County-wide Health Depts and/or Planning Departments; County Soil and Water Conservation District offices; Volunteer and advocacy organizations such as the CLWN or CSI, CLEAN; Finger Lakes Hub, Finger Lakes Institute. CWIO will give special consideration to events that relate to the CWIO Priority Focus Areas below.</p>
<p>Watershed Manager Reporting and Oversight The Watershed Manager (WM) will provide written quarterly reports to CWIO of completed work, and also give oral reports at monthly meetings when possible. The WM work is guided by the CWIO-approved job description and guidance from CWIO and its committees. The CWIO Chair and the Finger Lakes Institute will directly oversee the work of the Watershed Manager.</p>
<p>Monitoring: If funds are available, consider supporting monitoring efforts throughout the watershed as recommended in the RPP. Encourage municipalities to support on-going monitoring efforts done by the Community Science Institute, and the Cayuga Lake Watershed Network.</p>
<p>Municipal Checklist: Work with other neighboring Finger Lake watersheds to develop a municipal checklist of water-protective practices that can be acted upon by municipalities. Use the work done in 2021 and 2023 by the Cornell Institute of Public Administration. Encourage municipalities to adopt water protective policies and regulations.</p>
<p>State and Federal Connections: Leverage connections with state and federal contacts and representatives to help achieve the common goals of preserving and protecting water quality.</p>
<p>Agriculture: Work with SWCD offices, CWIO committees, and the Watershed Manager to support agricultural projects and actions that provide water quality benefits to municipalities and their residents.</p> <p>Establish a scope of work for the Agricultural Committee and appoint a chairperson.</p>
<p>Respond to Time Sensitive Issues of Relevance to the Watershed Depending on time available and workloads, CWIO will make its best effort to respond to state and federal draft policies/regulations/plans as they are released for comment. CWIO will work with its partners to submit accurate and science-based responses as guided by the RPP and HABs Action Plan for Cayuga Lake. CWIO will respond as time allows to request from partner watershed organizations on time-sensitive issues, for example as it did on</p>

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CWIO GOALS 2024

behalf of the preservation of the Bell Station lands by the Finger Lakes Land Trust. Issues will focus on actions that would benefit the Cayuga Lake watershed, but may also apply to the Finger Lakes Region in general.

CWIO Priority Focus Areas

The focus areas below were determined in 2022 through polling of CWIO Member Municipalities in an effort to be able to maintain the concentration of CWIO work by focusing on specific areas of concern. These general areas were derived from the Cayuga Lake Restoration and Protection Plan.

When possible, CWIO efforts in 2024 should keep these priorities in mind:

Agriculture	address actions that will help reduce farm runoff and sediments from reaching waterways.
Ditches	Develop best management practices for municipal ditch systems to mitigate impacts from agriculture, high stormwater events, and salinization of the lake. Consider how tiling practices affect ditch water loads and how to mitigate. Offer training and education on this subject.
Land Use	Work with municipalities to understand the link between allowable land uses and water contamination. Develop materials for municipalities such as how and why to preserve critical environmental areas, importance of preserving farmlands and forests, wetlands protections, preserving vegetation along streams, protecting steep slopes. Provide training and model policies/legislation.
Drinking water	Take actions to protect both surface and ground water including topics such as information on the impacts of development, recommend protective measures and best management practices, assist in plans that outline protective measures, help find funding for efforts that protect drinking water, and provide model polices and regulations.
Stormwater	Increase awareness of impacts of improperly managed stormwater and promote best management practices. For example: explore disconnecting downspouts, sediment and retention ponds, rain gardens, ditching practices, watershed-wide stormwater management strategies, and other measures that slows large stormwater events.
Wetlands	Provide outreach about the importance of preserving wetlands in relation to flooding, sedimentation, and water quality. Assist to map and inventory local wetlands to be more accurate than state and federal maps. Provide model polices/regulations/practices to improve protections of wetlands and riparian corridors/buffers.

RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE CWIO CHAIR FOR 2024

RESOLVED that the Cayuga Lake Watershed Intermunicipal Organization membership appoints _____ to be the CWIO Chair for 2024. (Art. III, §2.a.)

Moved: ____ Seconded: ____ Vote ____:

RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE CWIO VICE CHAIR FOR 2024

RESOLVED that the Cayuga Lake Watershed Intermunicipal Organization membership appoints _____ to be the CWIO Vice Chair for 2024. (Art. III, §2.b.)

Moved: ____ Seconded: ____ Vote ____:

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RESOLUTION APPOINTING CWIO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 2024

Minimum of 4 members. A member needed from Seneca, Tompkins, and Cayuga Counties. By default, a member from each of the standing committees is part of the Executive Committee.

RESOLVED that the Cayuga Lake Watershed Intermunicipal Organization membership appoints the following to be on the Executive Committee for 2024. (Art. III, §3.a.) The CWIO Chair is also the Chair of the Executive Committee, and 1 member of each committee are part of the Executive Committee (per bylaws):

Tee-Ann Hunter(Cayuga), Ann Balloni (Cayuga), Roxy Johnston (Schuyler), Darby Kiley (Tompkins), Liz Thomas (Tompkins)

Moved: ____ Seconded: ____ Vote____:

RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE CWIO TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

The *Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)* recommends watershed priorities, evaluates project applications, and makes recommendations to the CWIO on requests for funding among other tasks. 3 Members are required. Members of the TAC are not required to be members of CWIO.

RESOLVED that the Cayuga Lake Watershed Intermunicipal Organization membership appoints the following to be on the Technical Advisory Committee for 2024. (Art. IV, §5.a.)

Grascen Shidemantle, Dave Eckhardt, Darby Kiley, Roxy Johnston, Shawn Murphy, Mary Jump, Noah Mark, Becky Sims, Mike Allinger, Michele Wunderlich.

Moved: ____ Seconded: ____ Vote____:

RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE EDUCATION, PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE (EPPOC)

3 voting CWIO members or alternate members are required. One must be a voting member

RESOLVED that CWIO appoints the following to be the Education and Outreach Committee for 2024 (Art. IV, §4. a.):

Michele Wunderlich, Roxanne Marino, Roxy Johnston, Seth Lutter, Tom Vawter, Grace Hayes, Liz Thomas.

Moved: ____ Seconded: ____ Vote____:

RESOLUTION APPOINTING AN FINANCE COMMITTEE

3 voting CWIO members or alternate members are required

RESOLVED that CWIO appoints the following to be the Finance Committee for 2024 (Art. IV, §2.a.)

Tom Vawter, Dave Sprout, Mike Allinger, Ronny Hardaway, Liz Thomas

Moved: ____ Seconded: ____ Vote____:

RESOLUTION APPOINTING AN MEMBERSHIP AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE

3 voting or alternate voting members are required

RESOLVED that the CWIO appoints the following to be the Membership and Nominating Committee for 2024 (Art. IV, §3.a.)

Tony DelPlato, Ann Balloni

Moved: ____ Seconded: ____ Vote____:

RESOLUTION APPOINTING AN AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE

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RESOLVED that the Cayuga Lake Watershed Intermunicipal Organization appoints the following to be the Agriculture Committee for 2024 (Art. IV, §6.a.)

No action in 2023

RESOLUTION APPOINTING AN STATE OUTREACH COMMITTEE

RESOLVED that the Cayuga Lake Watershed Intermunicipal Organization appoints the following to be the State Outreach Committee for 2024 (Art. IV, §6.a.)

Bob Meek, Tee-Ann Hunter, Margaret Johnson

Moved: ____ Seconded: ____ Vote____:

Associate and Ex-Officio Member Appointments:

RESOLVED, the Cayuga Lake Watershed Intermunicipal Organization accepts the slate of Associate and Ex officio Members.

Shawn Murphy, Michele Wunderlich, Robert Meek, Eileen O’conner, Seth Lutter

Moved: ____ Seconded: ____ Vote____:

2024 Meeting dates

RESOLVED that the Cayuga Lake Watershed Intermunicipal Organization will meet on the
January 24, February 28, March 27, April 24, May 22, June 26., July 24, August 28, September 25, October 23, Nov 20
(not 27), Dec 18 (not 25)

Moved: ____ Seconded: ____ Vote____:

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Position	Appointed in 2024	Date appointed	Appointed in 2023
CWIO Chair			Elizabeth Thomas
CWIO Vice Chair			Roxy Johnston
Executive Committee			Liz Thomas Roxy Johnston Tee-Ann Hunter Ann Balloni Darby Kiley 1 Member of each committee
Nomination/Membership Committee			Tony DelPlato Ann Balloni
Finance Committee			This committee did not meet in 2023 because dues structure was set for 3 years. Members are Liz Thomas, Tom Vawter, Dave Sprout, Mike Allinger, Ronny Hardaway.
Technical Advisory Committee			David Eckhardt (Ledyard) Grascen Shidemantle (CSI) Roxanna Johnston (Catharine) Darby Kiley (Tompkins Co Planning) Shawn Murphy (Cortland Co) Mary Jump (Seneca Co) Erin Norris Noah Mark (CSI) Michele Wunderlich (Cayuga Co) Mike Allinger (Newfield) Becky Sims (Enfield)
Agriculture Committee			
Education/Public Participation/Outreach Committee (EPPOC)			Michele Wunderlich Roxanne Marino Seth Lutter Roxy Johnston Grace Hayes

