

Minutes of the Annual Meeting
Cornell Cooperative Extension of Ulster County
December 3, 2008
Vanderlyn Hall, SUNY Ulster, Stone Ridge, NY

Call to Order

Raymond Haberski called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm.

Secretary's Report

Len Cane motioned to approve the minutes as written. Seconded by Todd McNutt. MC

Nominating Committee

Sandy Snyder presented the report of the Nominating Committee. Nominating Committee members for 2008 are Ward Todd, Donna-Marie Ragonese, Ray Haberski, Alice Haberski & Sandy Snyder

The Committee has met and presents these nominees for the Board of Directors. The following names are nominated for election for three year terms beginning January 1, 2009.

Nominees for the Board of Directors for three year terms are:

Dave Cobb – returning
Sandy Snyder – returning
Asha Gollither – returning
Jodie Stevens

Ray Haberski conducted the elections. There were no nominations from the floor. A motion was made by Todd McNutt and seconded by Kay Peischel to cast one unanimous vote for the slate of Board of Directors. MC

Sandy Snyder presented the Nominating Committee report and offers these nominees for the Program Committee for three year terms:

Amanda LaValle
Marijane Knudsen
Maria Oakley

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Financial Report

The financial report of the Association was presented by Todd McNutt, Treasurer.
As of September 30, 2008

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| Total Revenues & Other Support | \$1,047,829.62 |
| Total Expenses | \$947,776.68 |
| Net Revenues & Current Operations | \$ 100,052.94 |

The association is financially stable and is committed to efficient and effective use of resources and staff. We have significantly increased program efforts this year through grants and contracts.

I am pleased to announce that in June of this year, we completed a three and half year contract with New York City Department of Environmental Protection for close to \$600,000 for the Esopus Creek Corridor Plan and began a new contract referred to as the Ashokan Basin Stream Management Plan for 3,647,570 to continue this work over the next 5 years.

In addition, we have just received approval for our 12th year of the Food Stamp and Nutrition Grant (Eat Smart New York) which has an annual budget of \$318,214. This grant enables us to offer free nutrition education to food stamp clients in the county.

Among many other grants and contracts, we have begun work on the \$600,000 Farm Labor Housing Grant enabling us to place 16 new trailers on farms in Ulster County housing farm laborers.

Program Report of the Association

Asha Goliher presented a slide show of programs including the Ashokan Basin Stream Management, Eat Smart New York, Financial Education, Agriculture and 4-H Youth Development. For more information see our Annual Report that will be published soon.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Todd McNutt and seconded by Sandy Snyder.

The Business Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm

A presentation was made by Lydia Reidy in recognition of employee service & recognition of retiring Board members.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roxanne Churchill
Administrative Manager