

*Stormwater Coalition of Albany County
Board of Directors*

**Friday, September 19, 2025
Municipal Center
19 George St, Green Island, NY
8:35am to 9:25am**

FINAL MINUTES

Board of Directors Attending:

Peter Beck, City of Albany
Kerry Dineen, Village of Altamont
Joseph Cleveland, Town of Bethlehem
Zach Harrison, Town of Colonie
Ken Kolvachek, Town of Guilderland
Garry Nathan, Village of Green Island
Tod Ward, Village of Green Island
Doug LaGrange, Town of New Scotland
Frank Fazio, Village of Voorheesville
Mike Fagnoli, City of Watervliet

Also Present:

Gabrielle Krupa, Coalition Stormwater Program Director

Absent:

Wesley Hartmann, Albany County
Brad Bunzey, University at Albany – SUNY
Dave Ognan, Village of Menands

I. Approval of June 20th, 2025, Board Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the June 20th, 2025, Board Meeting minutes was made by Kerry Dineen and seconded by Mike Fagnoli. The motion passed unanimously.

II. Reports

A. Coalition Administration

1. 2025 Budget Report

By September 19th, 2025, 47% of the total Stormwater Coalition budget has been spent.

So far, \$6,825.00 has been expended for the two GIS workers used out of the Temp Help line. \$135.00 is listed in encumbrances in the Office Supplies line. The Coalition Director (Gabrielle Krupa) is waiting for the items to arrive and then will complete the payment.

There is a remaining balance of \$355.00 in the Conferences, Training, and Tuition line. The Coalition Director is interested in attending the New York Upstate Chapter of the American Planning Association conference. The Director suggests transferring \$500 from Miscellaneous Contractual Expense line to the Conferences, Training and Tuition line.

There is a remaining balance of \$1,090.25 in the Fees for Services line. Any other ORI test kit supplies can be purchased with this line.

An upcoming purchase includes registration for the Director to attend the New York State Chapter of the American Planning Association. The fee is \$399 for the full conference which takes place in Rochester from October 8th to the 10th.

A motion to transfer \$500 from the Miscellaneous Contractual line to the Conferences, Training, and Tuition line was made by Garry Nathan and seconded by Kerry Dineen. The motion passed unanimously.

2. 2026 Statement of Intent / Proposed Meeting Schedule / BOD Rep Forms

The Statement of Intent forms for 2026 Coalition membership dues have been sent to each member. All were received except from the Village of Menands. The Director will reach out to the mayor at the Village of Menands for response.

The 2026 schedule was proposed for upcoming meetings. The Board meetings will occur every 3rd Friday and Working Group meetings will occur every 4th Thursday as usual.

Board of Directors 2026 Representation form has been sent out to each member. These forms will be due by the end of January.

B. MS4 Permit

1. Upcoming Deadlines / Mapping / Altamont Audit Follow Up

The 18-month Interim Progress Certification has been released and will be due on October 1st, 2025. The meeting packet includes a step-by-step process to access and fill out the form. All forms are accessed through the DEC Online Forums log in page on the DEC website.

Webinars regarding the Construction General Permit and Solar Development can be found on the NYSDEC YouTube playlist.

From September to January the Coalition Director plans to focus Working Group meetings on the 2 Year MS4 Permit requirements which will be due in January 2026.

An updated list of mapping tasks completed by the Temp GIS workers was shared with the group. Field check tasks for Cohoes have been completed along with the Village of Altamont fieldwork. Village of Altamont still needs GIS integration with GDB and municipal review.

The Village of Altamont was requested by the DEC for an audit on March 27th, 2025.

The following items and deadlines were required:

- By May 23, 2025, implement BMPs at the DPW yard to prevent exposure to precipitation
- By June 6, 2025, provide documentation showing that Local Laws 1 and 2 of 2016 have been certified to be equivalent to the state model laws; add this documentation to the Village’s Stormwater Management Program (SWMP) plan. (Part IV.E.2.)
- By June 6, 2025, develop a written SWPPP review process, written inspection procedures, and inspection tracking procedures which meet state technical standards. Add these items to the Village’s SWMP plan and provide documentation to DEC. (Part VII.D.6.c.)
- By June 27, 2025, develop an inventory for post construction control practices. Add this inventory to the SWMP plan and provide documentation to DEC. (Part VII.E.2.)
- By June 27, 2025, develop a repository of Best Management Practices (BMPs) that will be available for Village maintenance staff. Add this repository to the SWMP plan and provide documentation to DEC. (Part VI.F.1.)

Village of Altamont provided the following materials and received no outstanding follow up requested.

III. Discussion/Decisions

A. 2025 Work Plan

Upcoming tabling events include:

VI.C.1.e.	Develop and implement a monitoring locations inspection and sampling program	Within two (2) years of the EDC
VI.C.2.	Develop and implement an illicit discharge track down program	Within two (2) years of the EDC
VI.C.3.	Develop and implement an illicit discharge elimination program	Within two (2) years of the EDC
VI.F.2.b.i.	Develop inventory of municipal facilities	Within two (2) years of the EDC

- 9/13 Back to School Blast at Arbor Hill Elementary, City of Albany
- 9/21 Watervliet Arsenal City Run, City of Watervliet
- 10/4 Albany County Fall Fest and 5K

An updated Stormwater Coalition SWMP Plan Activities list has been included in the packet. This can be kept with each municipality’s SWMP plan information.

The next NYSDEC MS4 Operator Forum will take place on September 24th, 2025, from 1-4pm. The forum will be going over 3-year MS4 permit requirements, focus areas, monitoring location inventory and prioritization and facility inventory and prioritization. Any volunteers looking to present at the Forum should let Christina Chiapetta know by September 10th.

IV. Adjourn

A motion to end the meeting was made by Joeseeph Cleveland and seconded by Zach Harrison. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting ended at 9:40am.

These minutes were approved at the January 16th, 2026, Stormwater Coalition Board of Director's meeting.