

# HISTORIC HUDSON RIVERS HOOSIC PARTNERSHIP



Monday, January 27, 2025

Gateway Visitors Center

Schuylerville, New York

## MISSION STATEMENT

The Partnership's mission is to preserve, enhance and develop historic, agricultural, scenic, natural and recreational resources and the significant waterways within the Partnership Region. Through the tradition of municipal home rule, the Partnership will foster collaborative projects with pertinent non-profit and governmental entities with an emphasis on both agricultural and open space protection, economic and tourism development and interpretation of our natural and cultural heritage.

## BOARD MEETING AGENDA – 9:30 am

**Call Meeting to Order** – Tom Richardson

**Secretary's Report** – Joe Durkin – December 2, 2024 meeting minutes (sent separately)

**Financial Report** – Ed Kinowski, Drew Alberti

- Current account balance, income/deposits, expenses;
- ESD grant Agreement implementation.
- Managing cash flow/payments.

**Chairman's Report** – Tom Richardson

- GVC as 250 Celebration headquarters/office – Saratoga County Updates
- Renew GVC Agreement with Hudson Crossing Park; Board authorization and delegation to Executive Committee to modify/update
- Renew Administration Agreement with Flatley Read; Board authorization and delegation to Executive committee to modify/update

**Operations of GVC** – Kate Morse, Drew Alberti, Ian Murray

- Management - Staffing, days open, events
- Maintenance – building and grounds

### Regional Projects

- Regional Projects- updates, ideas, suggestions
- Meeting with Hoosic River Watershed Association (HooRWA)- Joe Durkin, Drew Alberti
- Meeting with Champlain Canalway Trail Working Group (CCTWG) –Julie Stokes, Drew Alberti

### Annual Membership Meeting

Recap of the Annual Meeting (the Minutes)

## Finance Summary

Current Account Balances:

General Operating – Starting Balance amount was \$6,413; Ending Balance amount is \$57,989; Expenses during the month were \$407. Additional expenses currently pending to be paid. (see Cash Flow below)

ESD Grant Reimbursement: (reimbursement only for expenses actually paid)

-First Request for Expenses April 1, 2023 to March 1, 2024, Total Reimbursement Received - \$67,790 -Included; Building maintenance/operations – \$22,790, Flatley Read - \$30,000, Hudson Crossing Park-\$15,000

-Second Request, Expenses paid from March 1 to August 27 Total Reimbursement Received \$51,982. Includes; Hudson Crossing Park (GVC Management/Staff) - \$39,440, GVC projects - \$9,895, Routine operating expenses-\$2,647

-Remaining amount of current ESD grant; \$30,227 (final amount available from current ESD grant).

Cash Flow. We have pending payments to be made to Hudson Crossing Park - \$15,105 and Flatley Read - \$15,150 which together with expenses for the month - \$407 will leave \$27,734 available to pay future expenses until the final/current ESD reimbursement is received (\$30,227). Then the reimbursement amount will have to pay expenses until the new ESD grant is implemented, plus the waiting time for reimbursement.

General Operating Account 2025 Summary to date

Balance from 2024                   \$ 6,413

Income

Municipal contributions           \$    0

ESD Reimburse (2<sup>nd</sup>)               \$51,982

Total Income                       \$51,892

Expenses (-)

Administration\*                   \$    0

GVC Management/Programs\*\* \$    0

National Grid                       \$  222

Water Management Board       \$    0

Maintenance/Construction     \$    0

Spectrum                           \$  170

Bank fees                           \$    15

Total Expenses                   \$   407

Current Balance                   \$57,989

\*Flatley Read, \*\* Hudson Crossing Park

Pending for payment Hudson Crossing Park \$15,105 and Flatley Read \$15,150

Note that Insurance Premium was paid in December, 2024 for policy coverage during 2025 - \$4,867

**GVC Report January 2025  
submitted by Kate Morse**

**CURRENT REGULAR GVC HOURS (as of February 1):**

**Saturday & Sunday, 11am – 4pm**

**Monday & Tuesday 10am – 2pm**

Events/Programming:

1. The GVC was closed during the month of January.
2. Took part in the Schuylerville “Look to the Starlight” campaign during the month of December by decorating the interior and exterior of the GVC. Could definitely use more for next year, so if anyone has any star-themed holiday décor or warm white twinkle lights that they would like to donate to the cause, please let me know.
3. Girl Scout Inclusivity Ambassador Training sessions 1/17 & 1/31
4. Epic Trainings Babysitter Certification program 1/20

Admin work:

- Met with Albany Symphony Orchestra Executive Director **Emily Fritz-Endres**, **Maestro** David Alan Miller, Board President Marisa Eisemann, and Director of Operations and Programming Derek Smith on 12/16 to discuss July 6<sup>th</sup> free community concert and community festival. This event, which will include programs and activities at GVC, has a theme of the Erie Canal Bicentennial and will have a special focus on Solomon Northup. Will be coordinating with Saratoga 250<sup>th</sup> and Saratoga National Historical Park to hold events/programs both at the GVC that day and at Schuylerville House/other walkable locations.
- Worked with Drew for 2024 program, staffing, and administration reimbursement wrap up as well as looking forward to 2025 disbursement scheduling etc.
- Planning for programming for February and March. Stay tuned!

General Notes:

Can we get the baby changing station installed on the sink side of the bathroom so it doesn't interfere with wheelchair access to the toilet?

We continue to need a regular cleaning service and someone to shovel. (The parking lot was plowed after the snow on January 19! Thank you Schuylerville DPW!)