

New Jersey Clean Water Council  
Minutes of July 11, 2017 Meeting  
Location:

NJEIT, 3131 Princeton Pike, Building 4, Suite 216, Lawrenceville, NJ

<b>Members Present:</b> George Bakun – NJ Business & Industry Jim Cosgrove – NJ Society of PEs Stan Cach – NJ Dept. Environmental of Protection Maria Connolly – NJ Dept. of Community Affairs Sandra Howland – NJ Dept. Agriculture Lou Neely – NJ State League of Municipalities	Chris Sturm – General Public Anthony McCracken – General Public Anthony Valente – NJ Dept. of Labor Robert Breslin – NJ State AFL-CIO Russ Furnari – NJ Chamber of Commerce
<b>Others:</b> Peggy Gallos – Advisor Ashley Kerr- Advisor Maria Zazzera - NJBPU <b>NJDEP Staff:</b> Ron Bannister – Section Chief, Bureau of Non-Point Pollution Control, BNPPC, DWQ Nicholas Horiates – Deputy Ethics Officer, Office of the Commissioner	<b>NJDEP Staff:</b> Michele Putnam – Director, DWQ, NJDEP Janice Brogle – Assistant Director, Water Pollution Management Element, WPME, DWQ Rachael Pepe - Division of Water Quality, DWQ James Murphy – Chief, Bureau of Non-Point Pollution Control, BNPPC, WPME, DWQ

Meeting Called to Order: Chair Jim Cosgrove at 10:03 AM.

The motion to approve the June 13, 2017 meeting highlights was made by Robert Breslin, seconded by Russ Furnari. Minutes were approved.

**DEP Updates:**

Manufactured Treatment Device (MTD) recently Certified by NJDEP: The Stormwater Management rules under N.J.A.C. 7:8-5.5(b) and 5.7 (c) allow the use of a manufactured treatment device (MTD) for compliance with the design and performance standards at N.J.A.C. 7:8-5 if the pollutant removal rate has been verified by the New Jersey Corporation for Advanced Technology (NJCAT) and has been certified by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP). On June 30, 2017, the PerkFilter Media Filtration System by Oldcastle Precast, Inc. was certified by the NJDEP at a TSS removal rate of 80%. This device was certified under the NJDEP's 2013 laboratory protocol, and this certification does not expire. The link to the web site is: <http://www.njstormwater.org/treatment.html>

On June 23rd and June 29th DWQ held stakeholder meetings on amending the Stormwater BMP Manual to account for infiltration. More than 30 individuals attended each meeting, with representatives from environmental associations, developers, municipal engineers, and other state agencies. After the second meeting a smaller workgroup was formed to further discuss specific technical issues. The first meeting of the workgroup is tentatively scheduled for the end of July.

**Old Business:**

Committee Reports:

1. NPS Reductions in TMDL Watershed-Committee Lead Russ Furnari and the Chair discussed topic ideas for the public hearing. The committee discussions had the following suggestions: "How does the TMDL mechanism drive an area?"; The public education component of the MS4 permit could be attained by having watershed meetings so that municipal officials in a specific watershed would be able to obtain public education credit while discussing NPS reduction improvements. The Council determined this topic would have widespread state appeal and would

be suitable for a public hearing. The target audience for the hearing would be municipal officials, engineers and environmental groups.

2. Innovative Septic Management-Tony McCracken reported that DEP is interested in the committee's recommendations on the license requirements and installer certification programs. Rob Breslin mentioned that the Chesapeake area already has addressed innovative septic management and the State of Delaware is conducting an operator training class on this topic. He will share the training course syllabus and instructor information with the committee.

Tony McCracken has identified a Council replacement to replace Gina Berg's vacant position, NJ Association of Counties. He is waiting for the nomination to go through the official process

**New Business:**

Stan advised the Council members of the 2017 compliance to the Uniform Ethics Code, i.e., take ethics training and ethics briefings and the completion of the outside employment questionnaire. A condition to serving on the NJ Clean Water Council is compliance to the State's Uniform Ethics Code. Then Stan introduced Nick Horiates.

Nicholas Horiates from NJDEP's Office of the Commissioner administered Ethics Training to the Council members present: Namely – Sandra Howland; George Bakun; Robert Breslin; Stan Cach; Jim Cosgrove; Russ Furnari; Tony McCracken; Lou Neely; Maria Connolly; Chris Sturm; Tony Valente; Peggy Gallos.

**Announcements:**

Next scheduled meeting will be held on August 8, 2017. There is a conference call on August 15, 2017 to discuss the public hearing and to approve the Save the Date for distribution. The public hearing is scheduled for October 19, 2017 from 1-5pm in DEP's public hearing room.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 11:47 am.