



**Dutchess County
Environmental Management Council (DCEMC)
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 11, 2013**

Attendance:

At-Large Members	Present	Absent
Barbara Barosa		X
Pete Berasi	X	
Bob Cohen	X	
John DeGilio	X	
Vicky Kelly	X	
Constance Kustas		X
Marsha Leed	X	
Stephen MacAvery		X
Lalita Malik	X	
Paul Quinn	X	
Chris Robbins	X	
Ex Officio, CAC Members & Others		
Zywia Wojnar, CCEDC	X	
Carol Krail	X	
Brian Kehoe, Dutchess County Dept. of Planning & Development	X	

Administrative Items:

- Meeting minutes for the October 30, 2013 meeting were approved without changes with a motion by Pete Berasi, 2nd by Marsha Leed.
- Changes to the enabling legislation for the EMC have been tabled until after January 1, 2014.
- Web site update – Zywia Wojnar will process the reimbursement request as there is a question of if the CCEDC paid as well as John DeGilio.

Email Correspondence:

- An email from Garth and Kathy Bosnan regarding a development that would involve a state wetland. Chris Robbins will respond on behalf of the EMC. Zywia Wojnar reported that correspondence via the CCEDC consisted only of junk mail.
- Meeting dates for the EMC for 2014 were approved and will be posted on the web site. They are:
 - January 22
 - February 26
 - March 26
 - April 23

May 28

June 25

- no July meeting scheduled
- August 27
- September 24
- October 22
- December 3
- The 2014 CAC/EMC Roundtable was discussed. Chris Robbins will present the Climate Change Resiliency document in addition to a brief overview of the EMC committees. The CCEDC will organize this meeting.

Updates on EMC Projects, Subcommittee Reports & Homework:

- Subcommittee Reports
 1. Road Salt Reduction (Pete Berasi, Vicky Kelly): Vicky Kelly reported on work she is doing on groundwater sodium and chloride in Dutchess County. The work is being done with Stuart Findlay and with some correspondence and data from John Ferro of the Poughkeepsie Journal.
 2. Recycling (Bob Cohen, Lalita Malik): Vicky Kelly reported on a trip to Effron metal recycling and will draft an article about the experience.
 3. Energy Conservation & Renewables (Lalita Malik, Marsha Leed): No new reports.
 4. Low Impact Development (Steve MacAvery, Marsha Leed, Peter Berasi, Barbara Barosa): No new reports.
 5. Climate Change (Chris Robbins, Vicky Kelly): Vicky Kelly and Marsha Leed will send suggestions for additions to the Climate Change Resiliency document to Chris Robbins.

Updates from CACs/Municipalities/Ex-Officio Members/ DC Legislature

1. Pete Berasi reported a new initiative in the town of East Fishkill in which an inventory will be done of trees and their health on town property. The project is being done in collaboration with the town's Beautification Department.
2. Bob Cohen reported that the town of Beekman is in the process of rewriting its tree harvest ordinance.

Other Business:

1. The next regular EMC meeting is on January 22, 2014 at 7:00 pm at the Farm & Home Center.

Adjournment:

- The meeting was adjourned with a motion by Lalita Malik.

Minutes were prepared by Vicky Kelly, Recording Secretary.