

Rebecca Martin Consulting Report

October, 2023

Recap

In October, the work centered around the council's organizational structure, the Hudson River Anchoring Rule Change (anchorage), Hudson River PCBs and meetings with drinking water plant leadership to advance the Hudson 7's goals.

Actions Taken

- Organized Hudson 7 council materials to facilitate monthly meeting;
- Met with Mayor Gary Bassett on a weekly basis;
- Met with Gary, John and Drew to prep for NYT interview on Anchorages;
- Coordinated Hudson 7 Anchorage committee meeting;
- Organized and attended a productive call with Hudson 7 legal consultant Ian MacDonald and Mayor Gary Bassett to discuss framework for Hudson 7's 501c3 status;
- Organized a call between Mayor Gary Bassett and Sarah Lee of the Dutchess County IDA to discuss TDI's PILOT request;
- Attended Hudson River PCBs Community Advisory Group (CAG) and prepared an update for the Hudson 7 council;
- Organized time for a visit of the Town of Esopus Drinking Water plant and Superintendent Nick Butler.

Results

- [Prepared all Hudson 7 materials for October meeting;](#)
- Developed talking points for Gary Bassett's NYT interview on Anchorages;
- Facilitated meeting with Hudson 7 Anchorage committee to discuss next steps in filing an RNA;
- Received a legal memo from Ian MacDonald for the council's consideration regarding options for 501c3 framework;
- No current action taken on TDI PILOT;
- Prepared notes from the Hudson River PCB CAG meeting;
- Discussed civil service and training with Town of Esopus Drinking Water Superintendent Nick Butler. Set up a time to visit on-site on Wednesday, 10/25 from 9 - 11am.

Notable Timely Next Steps

- Develop budget with executive committee;
- Continue to identify framework for Hudson 7 501c3;
- Organize a time to meet Village of Rhinebeck water operator Bryan Alix;
- Create a general powerpoint for Hudson 7;
- Follow-up on Anchorages: Develop filing system for RNA materials and set up a meeting between NYSDEC Heather Gierloff and Hudson 7;
- Continue to watch for upcoming EM&CP on Installation/Construction.