

Hudson River Drinking Water Intermunicipal Council

Thursday, October 15, 2020

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Chairman: Mayor Gary Bassett (VoR)

Vice Chairman: Supervisor Jay Baisley. (ToP)

Secretary: Neil Krupnick (ToHP)

Regular Business

1. Call To Order
2. Roll Call & Quorum Determination.
3. Minutes
 - a. Re-vote of 8/20/20 meeting minutes
 - b. Approval of 9/17/20 meeting minutes
4. Communications
 - a. Suzie Ross, 2021 M.S. Candidate in Climate Science & Policy at Bard College
 - i. Ms. Ross is working on a thesis project to study solutions to fulfill most scenarios where the Hudson River is inaccessible/unsafe for consumption (but currently will exclude permanent saltwater intrusion issues). She has selected the Poughkeepsie Water Treatment Plant (limited to selecting one plant) as it serves the largest population.
 - b. [Sodium levels up in Poughkeepsie drinking water and Hudson 7](#)
 - c. Reading from John Lipscomb: "Is New England's Biggest Renewable Energy Project Really a Win for the Climate?" Next article (part 2) should deal with CHPE.
 - d. Notice of Violations of the Endangered Species Act and the National Environmental Policy Act in Connection with the Champlain Hudson Power Express (CHPE) Project
 - e. Wappinger Creek federal Superfund site progress made. The Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) work plan was completed, and EPA has contracted to begin the RI/FS.
5. Public Comment

Reports and Actions on Old Business

1. Hudson River Source Water Protection initiatives
 - a. Update on NYS Drinking Water Source Protection Program
 - i. Dutchess and Ulster County updates
 1. Amanda LaValle: Class 'C' Stream updates
 - ii. **DWSP2 updates**
 1. On October 6, Dutchess and Ulster County Hudson 7 representatives discussed DWSP2 Mapping Strategy and the Hudson 7

2. Town of Esopus sent letter to DEC (and copied the DOH) on behalf of the Hudson 7 to request an update on the community selections for the DWSP2
 3. Initial communities working with regional councils on DWSP2
 - a. Region 3 Hudson Valley Regional Council: Village of New Paltz
 - b. Region 4: Capital District Regional Planning Council: City of Watervliet (now), the City of Troy (next)
 - c. Region 5 Lake Champlain - Lake George Region 5: Lake Champlain – Lake George - Lake George: Village of Lake George, Town of Ticonderoga, Cannon Point HOA, Antlers at Diamond Point HOA, Arcady Bay HOA, Lagoon Manor HOA.
 - d. Region 6: Herkimer-Oneida - Village of Clayville.
 - e. Region 7: Southern Tier East - Village of Afton. Central New York - Otisco Lake.
 - f. Region 8: Southern Tier Central - Town of Hector.
 - g. Region 9: Southern Tier West - Actively working with Village of Portville. Plan on working with the Town of Randolph and City of Olean in the near future. Genesee Finger Lakes - Village of Warsaw.
 - b. Central Hudson
 - i. The DEC determined that plans are adequate for the hydraulic dredge pilot test this season.
 1. Fact sheet:

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/data/der/factsheet/c314070cubegins.pdf>
 - c. Champlain Hudson Power Express presentation request
 - i. No update
 - d. Hudson 7 presentation and NYS American Water Works Association (PM)
 - i. Hudson 7 members reviewed the presentation on 10/13. Paul to present sometime after 10/15.
 - e. Update on Municipal code review (ES)
 - i. Town of Poughkeepsie
2. Water Operators
 - a. Next steps for convening operators and/or providing assistance during COVID
 - b. Equipment share
 - i. [Living document](#)
 - ii. Shared Service Agreement language
 3. Coordination
 - a. Funding

New Business

1. Update on Dutchess County Fire Training Center (Hyde Park) – Site Added to State's Superfund Registry
 - a. Dan reached out to Anthony (Tony) Bollasina, P.G., Assistant Geologist - Bureau D, Section D of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and added the following Hudson 7 council members to the communications list:
 - i. Randy Alstadt, Poughkeepsie water treatment plant operator, technical adviser to the Hudson 7, and Poughkeepsie Joint Water Board
 - ii. Gary Bassett, chair of the Hudson7, and mayor of Village of Rhinebeck
 - iii. Rebecca Martin, coordinator of Hudson 7 (Riverkeeper)
 - iv. Nikki Chung, Scenic Hudson and liaison to Northside Collaborative (she may have additional recommendations for contacts to share)