

Meeting	Hudson River Drinking Water Intermunicipal Council
Date	Thursday, January 20, 2022 Quorum: 5:35pm Adjourn: 6:42pm
Location	Remote
Chairperson	Mayor Gary Bassett, Village of Rhinebeck
Vice Chair	Supervisor Jay Baisley, Town of Poughkeepsie
Secretary	Vacant
In Attendance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Gary Bassett, Mayor (VoR) ● Elizabeth Spinzia, Supervisor (ToR) ● David Plavchak, Supervisor (ToL) ● Randy Alstadt, Water Plant Administrator (CoP) ● Nicholas Butler, Water Superintendent (ToE) ● Bill Carlos, Town Board member (ToR) ● Lynn Ruggiero, Town Board member (ToHP) ● Shannon Harris, Alternate (ToE) ● Paul Malmrose, Hudson 7 Technical Advisor (Engineering) ● Emily Svenson, Hudson 7 Technical Advisor (Land Use) ● Brad Barclay, Dutchess County Representative ● Europa McGovern, Ulster County Representative ● Rebecca Martin, Riverkeeper (Coordinator) ● Dan Shapley, Riverkeeper ● Grant Jiang, Department of Health ● Thomas LeCourt, Tighe & Bond ● Daniel Valentine, Tighe & Bond

Regular Business

1. Call To Order: 5:35pm
2. Roll Call & Quorum Determination.
 - a. **Voting members: Gary Bassett (VoR), Bill Carlos (ToR), David Plavchak (ToL), Nicholas Butler (ToE) Lynn Ruggiero (ToHP) Randy Alstadt (CoP), Elizabeth Spinzia (ToR) Seven voting members. Quorum**
3. Approval of minutes and adjournment
 - a. **Motion to approve 11/18/21 Bassett/Carlos. Motion approved**

b. Adjournment, 11/18/21 Bassett/Carlos. Motion approved

4. Communications listed in the agenda
 - a. Late communication: Paul Malmrose, January 28 conference at 11am advancement of Salt Front with DEC, USGS, DOH and Cornell. Be in touch with Paul if you'd like an invitation.
5. County representative report
 - a. Ulster County: Ulster County funding for the Hudson 7 Coordinator det. Of the env. Operating budget. Ready to work with the subcommittee to hammer out the details. Natural resource inventory project is coming up in 2022. Received funding from the HREP to complete an inventory. Dutchess County received the same funding. RFP open and out to hire a consultant to help shepherd the county through the process that includes stakeholder engagement, report narratives and municipal tool kit components. Ulster County will use in-house GIS resources to complete the mapping. Hoping to kick it off in the second quarter of 2022.
 - b. Dutchess County:
 - c. No public comment.

Reports and Actions on Old Business

1. Hudson 7 Priorities for 2021-2022
 - a. Hudson 7 membership
 - i. Secretary position vacant. Hudson 7 could have a nominating committee, or a member could contact Gary directly who is interested. RM: The secretary plays the role of FOIL officer, and much of the admin duties are handled by the coordinator.
 - ii. Letters to municipalities
 - b. Hudson 7 coordinator position
 - i. The Hudson 7 Coordinator subcommittee (Gary, Elizabeth, Dan and Rebecca) met with the ToR lawyer as charged by the Hudson 7 in November. The group discussed several things, including whether or not the coordinator could be a civil service position and is it the right decision to make. The work to understand whether or not it could be situated in either Ulster or Dutchess county. The second item that we discussed was whether or not it was the right approach for the Hudson 7 to remain as it is to become a 501c3 (just a label, as there are

many labor rules and regulations to become a 501c3). We agreed to meet again on February 10th to decide what is the best approach. We will report back at our next Hudson 7 meeting.

ii. NYS Drinking Water Source Protection Program

1. Grant and his colleague Mike are moving on the Hudson 7's DWSP2 program. He asked if Gary had the opportunity to reach out to the new Town of Lloyd and Hyde Park contacts. Gary said that he had spoken to all of them and stressed the importance of this project. Grant hopes to schedule a meeting with the Hudson 7 DWSP2 subcommittee in the second week in February. One thing that Grant is hoping to have before the meeting is each community's sanitary survey from plant operators. Also, if you have exact locations of your intakes, what depths they are, what your treatment process is and general information on your systems. Gary offered to send Grant the Village of Rhinebeck's information in a document. DS said that we assembled some of that, such as lat/long intakes and depths. Not sure about sanitary surveys. We can get you the contact sheet. In the interim, I would be happy to work with Paul M. to find out what you specifically need. NB will provide Grant with the same information from the ToE. Rebecca will send Grant the new updated Hudson 7 contact sheet. GJ: The ECD listed a number of tributaries and parts of the Hudson River from the 303 d list of impaired water bodies. He and others are speaking with the DEC about this so he is expecting some more clarification on that soon. Also, state agencies are meeting to discuss the Hudson River remediation project next Thursday. He will share what can be shared.

2. Hudson River Drinking Water Source Issues

a. Proposed transmission lines

i. Hudson 7 CHPE Committee updates

1. We had a productive working group meeting with TDI, and deserves describing for next time. If any members wish to get involved, please reach out to Emily to be added.
- b. Esopus Creek Committee updates
 - i. Paul Malmrose said that they have been Battling becoming members of the ARWG, they have felt that NYC is not impacting our intakes. Amanda LaValle has been working with them. She told Paul today that they are having another meeting (1/25) and that the Hudson 7 will likely be admitted on. Gary attended last time, but wasn't allowed to speak. It's where things are right now.

New Business

1. 2022 meetings
 - a. The group discussed keeping the meeting at the same time/place on the third Thursday of each month at 5:30pm. Shannon reminded the group that she had asked for the meetings to be moved at 5pm when they are remote. Gary asked to keep the February meeting at 5:30pm and to discuss moving the time to 5pm during that meeting.

Presentation: Lead and Copper presentation by Paul Malmrose and Thomas LeCourt of Tighe and Bond. Daniel Valentine will provide more information on what's happening in NYS. [VIDEO](#) [POWERPOINT](#)

Shannon Harris: Is there is one punch line takeaway would it be that municipalities are going to faced with proving that they are 100% in compliance with these new regulations and that's going to involve a lot of testing and even those municipalities who are fairly confident that they don't have any lead lines, main lines or their responsible portion may face surprises if testing reveals that the customer portion is lead, and are faced with having to manage a replacement so that they get credit?

Daniel Valentine: The less unknowns that you can have by October of 2024 the better it will be for compliance. The challenge, if you don't know, for instance a private side service is lead and your lead levels come back above that action level, you've triggered replacing not only those lead service lines that you know about

but also all the unknowns. If you can't certify or can't verify the entire service line is not lead you've now tripped replacing it.

SH: Which of the municipalities you have experience with that's going to be faced with a tough challenge around this?

DV: Don't know where everyone is with their inventory, but I do know that most systems are doing corrosion control so that will certainly help when it comes to the testing and lead in drinking water. It's going to be a challenge for everyone, but there is time to work those out. There will be some guidance from the EPA in the coming months and year.

Thomas LeCourt: The way that samples will be collected under this revised rule, you're likely to see higher lead levels than you are seeing now. Won't know until municipalities do so.

Nicholas Butler: question regarding lead solder? When did lead solder go out? In the 80's? In Port Ewen from the curb stop to the customers homes, we don't know how much lead solder will show up to potentially trigger an action level that then has nothing to do with our service connection or lead lines.

DV: That's a challenge because there's no control that a water system can have about the plumbing that goes on inside people's homes.

GJ: 1986 was the year that congress first banned the use of lead solder with water plumbing. In 2011, they further reduced the amount of lead that could be solder but could still qualify as being lead free which is to say that there were some solder that were used that were lead free at the time, but are no longer lead free after 2011.

NB: Now that we're going to be more responsible for notifications which is a good thing, if we're going to show ownership from the curb stop to the customers home that would be the only thing I could think of that is not on our end but that we would need to take ownership for. Potential conflict of interest

Any further questions that the Hudson 7 might have can be submitted to Daniel Valentine or Thomas McCort by way of Paul Malmrose, Hudson 7 Technical Advisor (Engineering) at: pemalmrose@tighebond.com

Adjournment: 6:42pm

Bassett/Harris. Motion approved