

Washington Township Environmental Commission (EC)

February 1, 2016 Minutes

Present – CJ Sinko, Merv Haines, Bill Leavens, Greg Forsbrey, Laramie Traina, Mark Napolitano, Joseph Amoroso, Anne Marie Harrington

Start 7:30

1) WTEC Member Business

- a. January minutes approved. CJ sent copies to Teri Lyons and Andrew Coppola
- b. Need to fill open position – Bill Leavens recommended Kelly (last name?) Currently we have 6 and need a 7th. Kelly will not be a township resident until March.

2) Stream Testing

- a. The WTEC reviewed results of stream test conducted by Merv and Bill on 1/14/16
- b. All results seemed to be aligned with historical data except for locations at Stoney brook. Fecal coliform was high compared to the other locations tested and phosphate was very high @ 0.6 ppm.
 - i. WTEC recommended additional testing of the stream to rule out false results.
 1. In addition testing the stream below and above the Squire Hill Rd. sewer line easement.
 2. WTEC will try to organize a Sunday test for Monday pick up.
 3. Sylvan circle Treatment Facility is upstream of the Stoney brook.

3) Special Events Workshop

- a. Attended by Greg, Laramie and Bill. The workshop focused on preparedness, insurance requirements and worker safety.

4) ANJEC Grant Invasive Species

- a. WTEC received agreement from Township to use tax mailings to send out brochures.
- b. WTEC needs to connect with Kathy Smith of LV Garden Club to determine which invasives are most prominent in LV.
- c. Mark raised concern about how educate residents on disposing invasives appropriately.
- d. Laramie wants to ensure residents are well aware of the program and wants them engaged how best to do?
- e. For next meeting – Have team review proposal and set top 20 priority invasives.
- f. CJ – needs to contact ANS consultants.
- g. Greg invited the invasive species strike team to present at next WTEC meeting (3/7/16).

5) Other

- a. WTEC discussed gas spill at Delta gas station – no actions required NJDEP was on the scene.

Meeting Adjourned by Mark and Merv at 8:40