

Montgomery County - Water Quality Advisory Group Meeting

June 13, 2022 (7:00 - 8:30 pm) – DRAFT Minutes

Microsoft Teams Meeting

Staff Liaison Miranda Reid, DEP (miranda.reid@montgomerycountymd.gov)

Member and affiliation	Present		Others in attendance and affiliation
	Yes	No	
Ken Bawer, Public-at-Large	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nasser Kamzani, • Frank Dawson • Alan Soukup
Keith Brooks, Public-at-Large	X		
Bob Buglass, Public Agency, WSSC	X		
Michael Carmel, Public-at-Large	X		
Andrew Der, Public-at-Large	X		
El Hadji Fall, Academic/Scientific		X	
Michael McAvey, Public-at-Large	X		
Pamela Rathbone, Public-at-Large	X		
Miranda Reid, DEP	X		
Tracy Rouleau, Chair, Academic/Scientific	X		
Linda Silversmith, Public-at-Large	X		
Tim Stemann, Business	X		
Amy Stevens, Public Agency, DEP	X		
Mark Symborski, Public Agency, MNCPPC	X		
Allison Wright, Environmental	X		

Agenda Item	Major Points
I. Introductions	The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Chair Tracy Rouleau.
II. Reading and approval of the minutes.	Minutes of the May 9, 2022 were presented. Linda Silversmith made a motion to approve the minutes and Michael Carmel second the motion. The minutes were approved as written.
III. New Business.	<p>a. <u>Review overall goal of the Comprehensive Water Supply and Sewage Systems Plan.</u></p> <p>Alan Soukup presented new initiatives and critical policy revisions.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Planning efforts for the present and future of sewage systems, for the county.2. Onsite Systems and exceptions3. Special policies for water and sewage services; allows consideration of limited main extensions from existing abutting mains. <p>Goal is for the council to have a policy and a plan, rather than an exception, which will ascertain that if the State approves the policy, the state won't deny the plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Key Takeaways <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. All extensions if approved will be "one off." Further extensions won't be approved.2. Committees' concern was that this might be like opening a Pandora's box. .3. Using public plan will be better for a consolidated plan for the county, and not as 'owners' or incidents decide.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Special policies for water and sewer services• Individual systems• Water and sewerage systems financing<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Underserved and unserved communities• Religious Land Uses Limitations: religious organizations have a legal exception.• There are some communities that do get limited service from Montgomery county. <p>b. <u>Tracy Rouleau: Review Stream restoration issues recommendation, and review the comments in the documents.</u></p> <p>The document was reviewed in full. Document was available as a separate document. All questions and comments were addressed.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Vote to approve “Stream Restoration and Alternative Upland Best Management Practices” section recommendations taken, agreed to unanimously.2. Vote to approve “Communication and Engagement” section recommendations taken, agreed to unanimously.3. Vote to approve “Performance/Evaluation of Stream Restoration” section recommendations taken, discussion took place, agreed to unanimously4. Vote to approve “Engaging the Private Sector” section recommendations taken, discussion took place, changes made, new version agreed to unanimously. <p>c. We are planning on a tour of the new Montgomery County Wheaton office building. July 11th would be the meeting day.</p>
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IV. Reports of Officers, Boards, Standing Committees.	None at this time.
V. Reports of Special Committees.	None at this time.
VI. Special Orders.	None at this time.
VII. Unfinished Business and General Orders.	a. Update Priority Speaker Topics <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Miranda Reid will schedule the visit to the County Wheaton office building
VIII. Adjournment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The next meeting is set for September 13, 2022.• The next notetaker, in alphabetic order, will be Andrew Der• The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.