Readington Township WaterWatch Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda

September 21, 2021

Please take notice that the *Readington WaterWatch Advisory Committee (RWW)* will hold a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH THE EXECUTIVE ORDERS SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR AND IN AN EFFORT TO FOLLOW BEST PRACTICES RECOMMENDED BY THE CDC, THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY FOR ANY INTERESTED PARTIES AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ATTEND THIS MEETING VIRTUALLY ENTER THE FOLLOWING LINK ON YOUR COMPUTER OR PERSONAL DEVICE:

WebEx Link:

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To Join by Phone:

United States Toll +1-408-418-9388

Meeting Number (access code): 2346 705 8538

Meeting password: i3bYuPFak26

AGENDA

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Chair starts the recording and calls the meeting to order.

ATTENDENCE TAKEN

Attendance will be taken noting Committee Members, Alternates, and members of public in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the most recent meeting will be reviewed, updated if necessary, and approved.

GUEST INTRODUCTION

Kathy Hale, Principal Watershed Protection Specialist, *New Jersey Water Supply Authority*, will join us to discuss rain barrels and the programs that she makes available to communities such as Readington.

HOUSEKEEPING ISSUES

Open discussion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Steve Foster Well-testing and Community Programs

Rene Rao Community Programs; Schools Programs; Social Media Strategy
Ago Pietrangelo Chemical Impacts on Our Water Supply; Social Media Strategy
Marlene Orlandi Schools Programs, Community Programs, Social Media Strategy
David Owen RWW / OSAB / EC Collaboration; News from the HC B of CC

Jonathan Heller Stream Testing; News from the Township Committee

Robert Becker Sustainable Jersey -- Water Issues; Other issues

Susan Masinda Small Streams; Rockaway Creek Update

Trish McGuire News from the Raritan Headwaters Association; Social Media Strategy

OTHER ONGOING & NEW BUSINESS

Community Well Testing:

in collaboration with RHA -- including septic information

Proposed Cemetery Project:

why we should oppose it

Darts Mill Project:

why we should support It

Mapping:

General plan for RWW Mapping Project now in place (Robert Becker is leading

Readington Water Story: As part of the Sustainable Jersey – Water Goals initiative, we will be gathering information and writing up a synopsis of current and planned clean water conservation initiatives in the Township; Mario Orlandi is leading

Social Media:

General plan for RWW's social media outreach now in development: Ago Pietrangelo is leading

Scouts:

Eagle Scout (boy scouts) and Gold Award (girl scouts): Jonathan Heller has referred us to Adam Mueller who has offered to serve as Township liaison to these programs; discussion underway

NJ Water Supply Authority – Raritan Basin Programs:

a new partner; interesting programs; new rain barrel collaboration has been initiated: Rene Rao will lead

Raritan Headwaters Association Rain Barrel Initiative: Lauren Theis, Director of Education at RHA will be working with us; Rene Rao will lead

Sustainable Jersey – Readington Water Story:

The Building Block for the Newest Gold Star Standard in Water: in progress

Holland Brook Stream Restoration Project:

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Landowner project is moving forward in collaboration with Readington Township; the latest step is a mailing to all landowners affected by the project – this has been completed and all documentation has been submitted to NRCS; project has started and next step is boulder location and installation.

Prescott Brook Stream Restoration Project:

research is underway regarding the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) program for farm infrastructure projects through NRCS's Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP); funding is available for small stream restoration when the stream adjoins farm land – the Prescott runs through a number of different farms including a local naturalized tulip farm. Note: two stream monitoring sites are planned to be added to RHA's data base starting June 2022. No updates this past month.

OTHER GENERAL COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

OTHER GENERAL COMMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE

ADJOURN (Motion and Second)