

TOWN OF ESSEX
STORMWATER (MS4) WORKING GROUP
Meeting Minutes
May 29, 2019
Essex Town Hall, Conference Room B

The Essex Stormwater (MS4) Working Group Meeting was held on Wednesday, May 29, 2019.

Attendees

Ryan Welch (DPW)	Jessica Sypher (Assessor)
Joe Budrow (Planning/Zoning/IWWC/Land Use)	Robert Doane, (Town Engineer)
Rebecca Talamini (AppGeo)	Maria Lucarelli (Selectman's Office)
John Guskowski (Town Planner)	

Absent

David Caroline (DPW)
William Drouin (Apex Co)
Norman Needleman (First Selectman)
Lisa Fasulo (Health Dept/Land Use)

Illicit Discharge Ordinance

The Illicit Discharge Ordinance was adopted on February 20, 2019 and published in the Valley Courier on February 28. The ordinance is located on the Town of Essex public drive under Ordinances and a copy can also be found in the Town Clerk's Office.

General Discussion:

Endangered Species Plan

There was discussion that the Town will need to complete an endangered species plan which should also be adopted by the Town this year. The plan specifies endangered areas and includes the aquifer protection areas. Bill Drouin mentioned at the last meeting that he would write the plan and give to Lisa for the MS4 committee's approval. This item was tabled until the August meeting.

Annual Report

At the last meeting Bill Drouin reported he would have the 2018 Annual Report draft ready for today's meeting, but he was not present. This item will be discussed at the next meeting.

Outfall Points

The prior list of 125 points and questions regarding points and maps of areas has been reviewed. Ryan reported there are approximately 10 – 20 points left that still need their connectivity to be determined. Bob Doane and Ryan Welch will work on determining these last few points by using dye to see where the runoff ends up on a rainy day.

Best Management Practices

Joe Budrow discussed best management practices (BPMs) i.e. post-construction storm water management and reviewing post-construction run off.

There was discussion on Essex Glen's new system and the many Town concerns.

John Guskowski is the Town Planner and he is attending today's MS4 meeting because Essex Glen was discussed at the last meeting which is part of a sub-division. Essex Glen Road is going to be a Town Road, but

the road is part of a sub-division. Essex Glen needed to demonstrate feasibility, which they have. There should be structures under the catch basins that connect to detention basins.

Plans and Public Education - Public Involvement and Participation

There was discussion that the Town of Essex must continuously educate residents.

There was discussion of placing car wash information on the web site and/or on Facebook. Residents should avoid having car washes on impervious surfaces. The Town needs to educate residents to wash their cars and boats on grassy or crushed stone areas.

Pet Waste Collection

The Town should also remind and educate dog owners to properly dispose of their dog's waste.

Pollution Prevention – Training Training Training

People need to think about where their water is going!

Next Stormwater Meeting: Wednesday, August 28th, 2019 at 11:00 am, Essex Town Hall, Conf. Room B