

TOWN OF ESSEX
STORMWATER (MS4) WORKING GROUP
Meeting Minutes
November 20, 2019
Essex Town Hall, Conference Room B

The Essex Stormwater (MS4) Working Group Meeting was held on Wednesday, November 20, 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)	Norman Needleman (First Selectman)
William Drouin (Apex Co)	

Absent

Lisa Fasulo (Health Dept/Land Use)

Endangered Species Plan

Bill mentioned that a plan is not required. It has been determined that the Town does not need to adopt a plan. Bill will write a letter showing the Town has done its due diligence. We do not need a letter from the state.

DCIA Calculations

Bob Doane spoke to Ryan about drainage – Harbor View Drive and Ridge Road is off of Woodland. Bob Doane found a plan for Carol Drive. Bob stated he is identifying drainage structures. Bob has to go out to the sites and explore. Bob reported he would try to do that in the next two months. Rebecca said that due to the engineering delay, the DCIA calculations will be delayed.

Public Training

On September 29th the Town held a Community Day Event at the Essex Fire Headquarters. Lisa Fasulo was stationed at the MS4 Table educating the public.

Bill reminded everyone to keep sending him any training information, anything on MS4.

Bill mentioned that Industrial Stormwater training at Public Works was completed. Ryan said they did training but forgot where he placed the sign in sheet. Bill reported he may have the sign in sheet. Ryan stated he would like a copy.

Ryan did the MS4 testing at public works and he is waiting for the results. Ryan had to wait for the right conditions which are 72 hours of a dry period prior to a rain fall.

There was discussion that GIS is still outstanding. Rebecca thought there were more than three (3) that still needed to be completed. Rebecca will send a list of the sites to Bob Doane.

The Industrial General Permit is good until 2021.

There was discussion regarding the Sustainable CT group and some workshops they are putting together. Information on upcoming trainings will be sent to Bill Drouin and to the MS4 group.

There was a quick discussion of the new initiatives at the Transfer Station. There is now a textile bin.

Educate

There was discussion on inserting information into the Essex News Magazine.

Any Household Hazardous Waste initiatives should be sent to Bill.

If the Town is holding a Drug Take Back Day, get that information to Bill.

Ryan said he would collect information of what types of sand/salt public works uses and will give that data to Lisa in January.

Ryan reported public works just cleaned another 300 storm drains which has been documented.

Ryan mentioned that street sweeping will be done in the fall and will continue being done this winter as weather permits.

Joe Budrow reported the Zoning Regulations will include - LID - Low impact Development

Pollution Prevention – Training Training Training

People need to think about where their water is going!

Next Stormwater Meeting: Wednesday, February 19th, 2020 at 11:00 am, Essex Town Hall, Conf. Room B.