

EPCAMR 2014 Annual (3rd Quarter) Board Meeting

Agenda – August 21st

Sweet Arrow Lake Schuylkill County Park Large Pavilion

11:00AM
Info.
Portion of
Meeting

Discussion and Correspondence

- Handouts: By Laws and Policy Document Packets
- Staff Δ: Promotions of Full-time MSI Mine Map Prog. Coordinator and Part-time GIS Specialist. Also hired Seasonal Part-time Trail Markers
- Interns: Elizabeth Rosser (Mountain Top) & Dana Sword (Bloomsburg U)
- Discussion on Set-aside Funding with PA DEP BAMR

Mike
Robert

BAMR Rep.

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will take
you to
more info.

Grants, Conferences, Events, Workshops

- **ARIPPA Awards Luncheon** – Wed. Aug 20, 2014 Sheraton Harrisburg-Hershey
- **PEC Policy Conference** – September 17, 2014 Harrisburg Hilton
- **NAAML P Conference** – September 21-24, 2014. Columbus, Ohio
- **PAEE Community Learners Mtg.** – September 30, 2014 EPCAMR Office
- **PA SME Field Trip** – October 16, 2014 from 1-5PM Southern Wyoming Valley
- **AMR Conference** – June 25-26(or 18-19), 2015 @ Ramada Inn in State College

Robert

12:00PM

Watershed Reports

~Break For Lunch~

All

12:30PM

Call to Order Business Meeting (Sign-in Sheet)

Bernie

Begin
Business
Portion of
Meeting

Minutes from Last Mgt. (February 20th): Motion to accept & approve

Christine

Treasurer's Report

- Motion to file Checking & PA Invest Account Balances for audit

Cheryl

AMR Program Reports (Anticipated Work at the end of this Document)

Staff

Committee Reports (Personnel, Budget, Strategic Planning & Dinner/Fundraiser)

- Personnel Committee: Prepare Annual Staff Evaluations
- Budget & Finance Committee: Review Preliminary 2015 Budget

Respective
Comm. Chairs

Old Business

New Business

- Motion to approve Committee Recommendations
- Motion to Accept director nominations from the Nominating Organizations
- Motion to Nominate "Community-at-Large" voting director(s)
- Motion to Elect Nominated Directors to Board
- Motion to Nominate Executive Committee (Pres., VP, Sec. & Treas.)
- Motion to Elect Nominated Directors to Executive Committee
- Motion to Adjourn Business Portion of Meeting

Bernie

1:30PM

Next Meeting: *Tentatively* November 20th 5:00PM

Tentative for 2015: February 19th, May 21st, August 20th, & November 19th, 2015

AMR Program Staff Anticipated Work for Next Quarter (looking forward)

Partners and Places in bold

General Staff

- Scan, catalog, georeference and digitize Mine Maps from **PA DEP Pottsville District Mining Office (DMO)** and then **PA DEP Bureau of Abandoned Mine Reclamation (BAMR) Wilkes-Barre Office** related to the Mine Subsidence Insurance (MSI) Mine Map Processing Grant. Send maps monthly for review by **PA DEP California District Mining Office (DMO)** and invoice for time and resources spent.
- EPCAMR staff and treasurer to create EPCAMR Annual Budget for approval at the Annual Board Meeting in August 2014.
- Working with **Greater Nanticoke Area (GNA)** School District on **PA DEP Environmental Education (EE) Grant** regarding the Outdoor Education and AMD Pottery Art Classroom Program.
- Working with **PENNDOT** and **PA Fish and Boat Commission** Mitigation Project development of a dam removal along **Solomon Creek** in **Ashley Borough** over \$100K.
- Approve design on the Lewis AMD Treatment System Rehabilitation Project (**Loyalsock Creek, Sullivan County**) in cooperation with **Hedin Environmental** and **PA DEP Moshannon DMO**.
- Finalize Joint Permit on Hicks Creek Natural Stream Channel Design Project (**Hicks Creek, Luzerne County**) in cooperation with **PA DEP BAMR Wilkes-Barre Office** and extension for another year.
- Monitor native tree growth in WaterBoxxes monthly at **Espy Run** and **Huber Park (Nanticoke and Solomon Creek Watersheds, Luzerne County)**.
- Complete EPCAMR 2012 and 2013 Annual Reports and post to GuideStar.org.
- Sample water quality at **Espy Run Treatment System** quarterly and **Askam Borehole Treatment System (both in Nanticoke Creek, Luzerne County)** monthly to evaluate iron and acidity removal post construction for **Earth Conservancy**.
- Aiding **Huber Breaker Preservation Society (HBPS)** in development of the Huber Memorial Park in **Ashley, PA** (ie. mine car restoration, mock slope entry, multi-media theatre, trails and installation of gardens with **Wilkes-Barre Career and Tech Center Horticultural Class Future Farmers of America (FFA)** Grant).
- Coordinate the **2015 PA statewide Abandoned Mine Reclamation Conference** via conference call with **WPCAMR** and the **AMR Conference Committee**. Maintain treatminewater.com website and co-host conference in 2015.
- Update EPCAMR websites as needed, as well as the Google Apps for Education Email+ Account and Facebook Social Media outreach tools.
- Keeping our fingers crossed on 3 Growing Greener Grants: Nanticoke Stormwater Planning, Limestone Tank Treatment System Study and EPCAMR Technical Assistance for Flow Monitoring.
- Continue to work with **EPCAMR Board** to increase Quarterly Board Mtg. efficiency.
- Continue to provide technical & outreach assistance to **EPCAMR partners** dealing with AML issues, as needed.
- Complete another update of RAMLIS for 2014 with updated information from the **Pennsylvania Spatial Data Access (PASDA) Server**.
- Continue to look for stream segments in the EPCAMR Region, where improvements have been made to streams on the 303 (d) List of Impaired Waters, that should be reassessed and stand a good chance of being removed from the list. Gather supporting water quality monitoring or biological monitoring evidence and report to the **PA DEP Bureau of Conservation and Restoration (BCR) Section 319 Program**.
- Create monthly progress reports, post them to the epcamr.org website and send to **PA DEP BCR Section 319 Program** along with an invoice of time and resources spent for reimbursement.

Full Monthly Reports for all staff are [available online](#) for your review