

EPCAMR 2026 3rd Quarter Board Meeting

Tentative Agenda – August 20th

EPCAMR Office: EC Conference Room & [Zoom](#)

11:00 AM

Discussion and Correspondence

Info.
Portion

- Nesbitt Family Charitable Fdn. \$3,425 Donation for KPB OYEL Books
- [Clean Water Conference Gathers in Lancaster, Honors Pennsylvania Leaders, Bobby Hughes and R. John Dawes](#)
- Mine Operator Renewal License for Processing Waste Coal Letter-renewal
- Donation received from Joe Pizarchik towards the 30th Anniversary Banquet
- Request for Letter of Support for the Kernsville Dam Recreational Area Master Plan from Blue Mountain Wildlife, Inc.
- EPCAMR Approved for the Adopt-A-Highway Program for South Main Street, Ashley/Hanover Twp. by PA DOT-will receive a sign soon
- The Luzerne Foundation Board of Directors donated \$250 to EPCAMR in honor of Bobby's recognition by the Choose Clean Water Coalition
- EPCAMR Apparel ([T-Shirt or a Hoodie](#)); can still order ANYTIME
- Any other items for Discussion?

Executive
Director

12:00 PM

Begin
Business
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Meeting

Call to Order Business Meeting: (roll call)

[Minutes from Last Mgt.](#) (May 21st): [File for Audit](#)

President
Secretary

Treasurer's Report

- See Financial Position Statement, Estimates, Jobs List and Grant Prospects
- [File for Audit](#): Checking & PA Invest Account Balances
- 2023 Single Audit by Karen Hazelton still in process & keeping DEP updated.
- EPCAMR 2025 990 being worked on by Ingite Business Services (Marianne).

Treasurer

Committee Reports (a Zoom Pro link can be setup for committee meetings)

- Development Committee Update; Chaired by Cristy Sweeney
- Education/Science Committee Update; Chaired by Andrea Nerozzi

Respective
Comm.
Chairs

Old Business

- [Update on 2026 NEPA Gives Fundraiser](#) results for EPCAMR on June 5
- [Update on ARIPPA Mini-Grant – LRCA provided 1st Draft of research \[Old Forge AMD Borehole: its Origin and History by Bernie McGurl\]\(#\) reviewed by Bobby with comments – FON has current velocity meter to monitor flow](#)

President

New Business

- [Motion to](#) open Nominations of Officers & Recognize New Members (dues)
- [Motion to](#) close Nominations; Elect Officers & Voting Members to the Board
- [Motion to](#) adjourn the business portion of the meeting

President

AMR Program Reports (3 minutes each; [Staff Reports](#) on website)

- See details on back side of this Agenda...

Staff

1:00 PM

Next Meeting: *Tentative for 2026:* Nov. 19th;

Tentative for 2027: Feb. 18th, May 20th, & Aug. 19th (annual)

President

Watershed Reports

All

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Meeting

Grants, Conferences, Events, Workshops

- [PA Abandoned Mine Reclamation Chronicles Podcast](#): First Fridays @ noon
- [EPCAMR 30th Anniversary Banquet](#) - Sept. 19 Sand Springs Resort, Drums
- [28th PA AMR Conference](#) - Holiday Inn, Grantville, PA on October 20-22nd
- See more on back side of this Agenda...

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more info.

Staff Project and Program Updates

Staff

- [28th PA AMR Conference](#) Planning Underway-Holiday Inn, Grantville, PA on October 20-22nd with tour planned in the S. Anthracite Region (Mike&Bobby)
- MSI PG PA DEP (Mike, Steve, Maria, Shawnese)
- Pine Knot, Oak Hill, and Reppelier Mine Pool Study & Monitoring (Mike)
- Loyalsock Creek & Askam AMD Monitoring (Mike)
- Keep PA Beautiful Educational Booklets Open Your Eyes to Litter (OYEL) Books and Education Curriculum; Last Book being completed (Laura)
- Shamokin Creek Development Plan with Kleinfelder (Mike and Bobby)
- Columbia U. Rare Earth Elements & Mine Pool Sampling; A few more transducers to install and additional clean REE Samples to be taken by Columbia U. over the Fall with a possible internship funding opportunity (Bobby)
- Shickshinny Creek, Rocky Run, and Paddy Run Coldwater Heritage Plan (CHP) Assessment & Bowman Creek Assessment CHP (Bobby)
- Amazon [Remove Illegal Dumps \(RID\) Program](#) ; Update on Cleanups (Maria)
- AmeriCorps Community Development Coordinator (Mark)
- Luzerne Conservation District BAMR SGL 260 Dogtown Grant (Bobby)
- Lost Creek Field Study with Kleinfelder (Mike)
- AML-Connect.org Platform and CBT Capacity Building Grant (Frank)
- Shamokin Creek Mine Pool Mapping with Kleinfelder (Mike)
- ABC National News AMD/AML Tour in advance of Feature Story; Still hasn't aired (Bobby)
- Lytle and Oak Hill Borehole Mine Pool Study with the Schuylkill Conservation District and Tetra Tech (Mike)
- Clean Water Table- \$10,000 grant for active participation role in focusing on water resource legislation needs and advocacy (Bobby)
- EPCAMR/WPCAMR streaming Podcast Series SEASON 2 is Underway-PA Abandoned Mine Reclamation Chronicles-First Friday of Every Month from 12-1; Bobby, Anne & Andy (WPCAMR) Co-Host and have selected speakers for the 1st Year funded by the Foundation for PA Watersheds; All Podcasts are on our [EPCAMR YouTube](#); Most recent interviews were (Kristin Reilly, Eric Oliver, Tom Gilbert, and Eric Dixon); Applying for Foundation for PA Watersheds Funding for Season 2
- AmeriCorps Digital Marketing Coordinator-has been filled by Kali Mellin who will start in late September and will proceed to attend her Pre-Service Orientation from Oct. 5-9 in Leesburg, VA where Mark and Bobby will be heading as well. Bobby is running several training sessions and has been invited as a Guest Speaker by OSMRE, Conservation Legacy, & AmeriCorps VISTA
- 1 AmeriCorps Fall Associate position is open and recruitment is underway; Interviews will be completed and a decision made by 8-28-26 with an anticipated start date of 9-17-26
- LCCC Federal Work Study Program Agreement Signed on 5-26-26

Grants, Conferences, Events, Workshops (continued)

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- Nonprofit Financial Oversight for Board Members Workshop on 8-20-26 from 5-8PM at the Scranton Area Foundation, Scranton
- TU Advocacy Letter Writing Meetup at Groove Brewing with Emily Baldauff, on 8-20-26 from 6-8PM; [Register for Free](#)
- PA AML NGO Campaign Call on 8-21-26 from 10-11AM
- See more in Bobby's email from August 11th...