Meeting Notes

Rensselaer County MS4 Communities Meeting Rensselaer County Office Building, Conference Room C January 15, 2019 10:00 a.m.

The meeting started at 10:05 AM. The first item on the agenda was Introductions.

The second item on the agenda was the MS4 Communities Website. The website will be shared with Rensselaer County Soil and Water Conservation District as discussed in the December 2018 meeting. Mr. Jaeger discussed website name ideas that he proposed that would encompass both the stormwater and soil and water ideas. Although renscosoilandstormwater.org was the best liked, meeting attendees preferred if possible that the present URL could forward into the website which could have any name. The front page of the website would have two options to go either into the Soil and Water Conservation District pages or stormwater pages.

Due to low and reasonable costs, Mr. Jaeger will build the website on the WIX platform. Mr. Jaeger handed out the premium price options. The WIX site is free with a long WIX-based name and limited options. Attendees approved Mr. Jaeger opting for the Business Basics option for \$20 that allows for online payments, unlimited bandwidth, 20GB storage, 5 video hours, Google analytics, free domain for 1 year and site and form booster apps. It was expected that training registration and payments could be set up though the website.

The next item on the agenda was Local BMPs. Ms. von der Heide had a side bar on a non-stormwater issue of emergency management communications in new construction. It was determined that the County should set up training for planning boards and emergency responders.

Discussion then continued into construction operator training. There is a new law that requires excavation contractors who contract with local governments as well as local government equipment operators to undergo Excavator Dig Save Training by May 4th. It was then discussed whether the 4 hour stormwater training should/could be put together with the 4 hour excavator training for a long day. There was only 1 excavator training available at the time of the meeting with 700 seats.

A discussion of the need for planning board stormwater training ensued. Mr. Koziol stated that he had a PowerPoint presentation if anyone was interested.

The next meeting will be on March 19th at 10 AM in the Schaghticoke Town Hall.

This year's meetings

March 19, 2019 – Schaghticoke Town Hall May 21, 2019 – Poestenkill Town Hall July 16, 2019 September 17, 2019 November 19, 2019

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