

Management Council Meeting Agenda

Thursday, September 12 10:00 AM– 11:30 PM via Zoom

(Visit <u>www.lowerdelawarewildandscenic.org</u> for the Zoom and for additional reference information.)

1. (10 min) Welcome - Richard Dodds, Chairman – Introductions and Land Acknowledgement

- We would like to acknowledge that our work as a Council is on the traditional lands and home of the Lenape People, Lënapehokink, and we pay our respects to those who have stewarded this land from time immemorial and are still doing so today. We commit to improving this relationship, supporting Lenape recognition in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, and working together on programs and projects to benefit the Delaware River.
- Approval of June 2024 Minutes (attached)
- Schedule December meeting (4th Thursday falls on December 26)
- 2. (10 min) Sojourn recap Kate Schmidt

3. (10 min) Next Phase of Expansion Study

- "Segments & Tributary Expansion" Robert
- Project update
- 4. (5 min) Mini-Grant Project Update Erik
 - Delaware Riverkeeper Network project
- 5. (30 min) Section 7 Workshop Sarah
 - Rockfall mitigation, warehouses, erosion... Maybe you've heard of "section 7" or know that NPS does project reviews on the Wild and Scenic, but what does it all mean?
 - Could you explain it over coffee to your partners?
 - NPS liaison Sarah Bursky will do a short overview that will be a refresher for some, and an intro for others, of NPS' regulatory authority under the Act.

6. (10 min) Council Projects

- Logo! Logo rollout has begun
- River Use Project Alison S.
 - o Summer Progress Update
 - o Awareness/Ambassadorial role
 - Next step is recommendations and an action plan be a part.

7. (15 min) Ongoing Matters - Richard and all

• Rockfall mitigation – Stephen, Richard, Tara

- Devil's Tea Table- July meeting to be scheduled in November
- Rt 29 Workgroup Had two meetings
- 8. Washington Crossing Bridge replacement.
 - Beginning of coordination with PA DCNR, Washington Crossing Historic Park, and NPS.
 - Opposition building (Upper Makefield & Wrightstown Townships). UMT is working to get the bridge and surrounding buildings placed on the National Register of Historic Places as well as some surrounding buildings/houses. The bridge <u>Commission</u> hired consultants to conduct a multi-year examination and an evaluation of alternatives, including replacement of the bridge. New business – Other issues?
- 9. Nockamixon Release Update
- 10. What issues are emerging?

11. (5 min) Available Resources - Alison

- PWSR workshop for Council members on Best Management and Practices
 - o September 26, 9:00 am-11:00 am OR 1:30 pm-3:30 pm. Registration.
- PA DCNR Statewide Annual Virtual Grant Workshop for Recreation and Conservation Projects
 - o November 7, 9 AM noon. Additional info
- EPA Recreation Economy for Rural Communities Program
 - \circ $\,$ Applications due: Oct 16, 2024 $\,$
- Get ready for next round of LDWS MiniGrants
- Assistance with grant applications/ideas talk to Alison

12. (5 min) Upcoming Events - Cindy

- D&R Canal State Park <u>Anniversary</u>
 - o Sept 14: newly available LDWS swag will be shared
- 7th Annual Delaware River <u>Cleanup</u>
 - o Sept 21: New locations added this year; slots still available
 - o CDRW Forum, September 26 & 27
- Other events to share?

NOTICES

ISSUES being tracked/Quick updates:

- a. Warehouses
 - i. Upper Mt. Bethel River Pointe Logistics- <u>lawsuit</u> seeking to halt Upper Mount Bethel Township officials' plan to dissolve a sewer authority. Suit filed against the five-member township supervisor board and engineer
- b. High Falls is in the design stages.
- c. Paunnacussing gas line and Aqueduct-Sarah
 - i. The Lumberville Aqueduct is in removal process. NPS (Wild and Scenic, and National Historic Landmark team) had to be consulted about some changes in design. But all of the approvals have been made and that one is well underway.
- d. Headquarters Rd Bridge Private funding/town ownership moving into permitting
- e. Nockamixon Dam water release evaluation
- f. Hal Clark boat launch-breaking ground next year
- g. <u>H & K's (Center Valley Materials) quarry application</u> Springfield Township

h. The Landing in New Hope- Landmark withdrew plans from New Hope

2024 Dates:

• Thursdays 10 A.M.: December (TBD)

Attachments/Handouts

- June Minutes
- September Agenda

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