

**MEWEA Executive Board Meeting
Friday, January 21, 2022
MWUA-Augusta & Zoom**

MINUTES

Attendance: Dave Beauchamp, Tim Wade, Jeff McBurnie, Cindy Wade-MWUA.

Zoom Attendance: Brody Campbell, Rob Pontau, Ben Stiles, Stacy Thompson, Leeann Hanson, Bruce Berger, Andy Wendell, Bryanna Denis, Gretchen Anderson, Amanda Smith, Kristie Rabasca, Sarah King, Kevin Eaton, Paula Drouin, Emily Prescott, Joan Kiszely

Absent: Bryanna Denis, Phil Tucker, Gregg Wood, Travis Jones, Jim Cohen, Charlene Pouling, Terry Tucker, and Alex Buechner.

Call to Order: President Dave Beauchamp called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

Correspondence Folder: The correspondence folder was reviewed by the board.

Quorum: It was determined there was a Quorum.

Minutes: Motion made by Jeff McBurnie, seconded by Tim Wade, all approved the December 17, 2021, minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Jeff McBurnie reviewed the Treasurers report indicating everything is in order. Review of financial report as of October 31, 2021 & November 30, 2021.



TREASURER'S REPORT

MAINE WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION
Maine Water Utilities Association
15 University Drive
Augusta, ME 04330

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: 1/21/2022 (MWUA)

TREASURER NAME: Jeff McBurnie

ACCOUNT/BUDGET STATUS: This marks the start of MWUA assuming the role of administrative services provider. Final 2021 financial report has not been received but will be sent by MMA by 1/31/22, so there's still some coordination that has to be completed before we're fully transferred. I have reviewed and reconciled the November financials and all appears to be in order. With most of MEWEA's revenue received and expenses paid, the Association's financial position is stable and solid. We should have a year-end surplus when the end of year financials are reviewed and finalized. The 2022 budget was approved at the 12/17/21 Executive Committee meeting.

REMINDER: As always, if you spot errors, have questions, or just want to discuss the Association's general financial status, please don't hesitate to contact me.

NEXT MEETING/OTHER IMPORTANT DATES/DEADLINES: Executive Committee meeting (3/2?)

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS & MISCELLANEOUS: None

REPORT SUBMITTED BY: Jeff McBurnie

DATE SUBMITTED: 1/11/21

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Other: _____

Please check if item should be expanded for external release.

Motion made by Tim Wade, seconded by Kristie Rabasca, all approved the Treasurers report.

Jeff McBurnie reported he received an email from Maine Sustainability and Water Conference looking for support Suggest we move forward as a \$300 sponsor and do not need a vote because it is in the budget.

DEP Representative:

Gregg Wood was not present.

NEWEA State Representative:

Jeff McBurnie reported the following:

- Paula Drouin would be the new NEWEA Representative officially at the NEWEA Conference
- Brief discussion on the NEWEA Conference and their attendance

Paula Drouin joined the meeting and reported the following:

- She had no report

Old Business: The following was reported:

- Tim Wade reported that MWUA's Conference is 1 ½ weeks out. Today is the last day of Early Bird registration. A discussion followed.

Committee Reports:

Awards Committee:

Mike Guethle was not in attendance.

Communications Report



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REPORT

MAINE WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION
Local Government Center
60 Community Drive
Augusta, ME 04330

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: **January 21, 2022**

COMMITTEE/OFFICE NAME: **Communications Committee**

CHAIR/OFFICER NAME: **Bryanna Denis**

RECENT ACTIVITIES: **Working on February Newsletter.**

DECISIONS MADE: **Featuring GAUD in newsletter**

MEETINGS HELD/ATTENDED: **1/7/2022 scoping meeting with joint newsletter team**

ACTION PLAN COMMITTEE/OFFICER ASSIGNMENTS: **Meeting with GAUD 1/11/2022 to discuss district. Working on content the rest of January.**

NEXT MEETING/OTHER IMPORTANT DATES/DEADLINES: **January 21st (today) is due date for articles. Please send your articles to Bryanna. Group meeting on January 27th to discuss final content for newsletter. Expected publish date is February 25th.**

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS & MISCELLANEOUS:

REPORT SUBMITTED BY: **Bryanna Denis**

DATE SUBMITTED: **1/10/2022**

DISTRIBUTION:

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Other:

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It was indicated that Bryanna Davis was not in attendance
It was indicated Bryana Denis is trying to get the newsletter out
She is looking for more articles.

Collection Systems Report



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MAINE WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION
Local Government Center
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Augusta, ME 04330

Executive committee meeting date: January 21, 2022

Committee/office name: Collections Systems Committee

Chair/officer name: Ben Stiles

Recent activities: None

Decisions made: None

Meetings held/attended: None

Action plan committee/officer assignments: None

Next meeting/other important dates/deadlines: Scheduling next meeting for early to mid-February

Other recommendations & miscellaneous: None

Report submitted by: Ben Stiles

Date submitted: January 16, 2022

Distribution:

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	Other:

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Ben Stiles reported the following:

- First meeting will be in mid-February
- Doesn't expect any major changes

Convention Report

Stacy Thompson reported on the following:

- Wrapping up Ski Day to get that brochure and sponsor form out
- Looking for Bob Poirier's contact information
- Looking for Sponsors
- Tim Wade will be assisting her. They have a Master List of Sponsors that typically sponsor.
- Spring Convention is April 1st in Orono
- 2022 Fall Convention will be held at Sunday River
- 2023 Convention: Joan Kiszely is getting Proposals from Sugarloaf and Samoset
- Discussion on site visit to Samoset and to check out vendor area
- Good to get multi proposals
- Does not want TBD on proposals
- Joan Kiszely needs to contact Point Lookout to see what conference space they may have

- Joan also needs to contact Sugarloaf for a Proposal
- Ski Day will be in New Hampshire for 2023, North Convention also will be in 2023
- Tim Wade indicated Bob Poirier can donate a Ski Bench

Government Affairs Report



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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: January 21, 2022

COMMITTEE/OFFICE NAME: Government Affairs Committee (GAC)

CHAIR/OFFICER NAME: Emily Prescott, Co-Chair & Amanda Smith, Co-Chair

RECENT ACTIVITIES: The Second Regular Session of the 130th Legislature began the first week of January. The Legislature met in person on January 6th, and plans to meet again in person on January 26th. At this time, Legislative Committee meetings are being held remotely over Zoom.

We're hearing this session will be very busy, with multiple carried over and new bills to consider in the coming weeks and months. Government Affairs Committee continues to monitor several bills carried over from the previous session. The Committee is also considering several new bills just printed, as follows:

- LD 1875: An Act to Address Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substance Pollution From State-Owned Solid Waste Disposal Facilities
- LD 1891: An Act to Continue Supporting Safe Drinking Water For Maine Families
- LD 1911: An Act to Prohibit the Contamination of Clean Solids With So-called Forever Chemicals

In collaboration with Stormwater Committee representatives, Government Affairs Committee representatives closely considered potential impacts of LD 1801, An Act to Modify Exemptions for Certain Storm Water Discharges to Class AA and SA Waters, and submitted written testimony in support of the bill. Emily Prescott also provided live testimony at the Environment and Natural Resources' January 10th public hearing. The Government Affairs Committee, in collaboration with the Stormwater Committee, continues to monitor LD 1826 (An Act to Create a Subcommittee of the Interagency Task Force on Invasive Aquatic Plants and Nuisance Species to Recommend Ways to Reduce the Threat of Further Infestations); and LD 1835 (An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Storm Water Management to Provide an Exemption for Mountain Bike Trails).

Nationally, as many of you have probably already seen, the US Department of the Treasury has released the final rule for Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. The provisions of the final rule become effective on April 1, 2022. As we receive additional updates, we will provide them.

After much thought, this year's Legislative Breakfast will be held remotely, either the second or third week of February. Last year's breakfast was also held remotely and was well attended. We are working with the Maine Water Utilities Association to finalize details and speakers, and look forward to sharing that information with everyone shortly.

DECISIONS MADE: Government Affairs Committee provided written and live testimony in support of LD 1801. We anticipate additional decisions to be made in the next coming weeks as members are in process of researching and monitoring several bills.

MEETINGS HELD/ATTENDED: Government Affairs Committee met last on December 15th. The Committee will meet again within the next couple weeks. Other meetings to review the Legislative Breakfast, and ARPA funding information have been attended or held in the interim.

ACTION PLAN COMMITTEE/OFFICER ASSIGNMENTS: Government Affairs Committee will continue to review the list of LRs and LDs and work together to research potential impacts, offer testimony, and report back to the full membership.

NEXT MEETING/OTHER IMPORTANT DATES/DEADLINES: The following are some dates for which membership may be interested:

- Wednesday, January 19th: Environment and Natural Resources Committee – Committee briefings on triennial review of water quality classifications; LD 1572 Sea Level Rise Report; and Work Sessions for several stormwater-related bills and with the Labor and Housing Committee – Public Hearings for LD 555, and other bills.

- Monday, January 24th: Environment and Natural Resources Committee – Public Hearings on LD 1875, and LD 1911, and others.
- Wednesday, January 26th: Tentatively scheduled next Government Affairs Committee meeting date, which date will most likely be moved.

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS & MISCELLANEOUS: If you are interested in learning more about Government Affairs Committee, feel free to contact either one of us: Emily Prescott (Eprescott@sacomaine.org) or Amanda Smith (amanda.smith@bangormaine.gov).

REPORT SUBMITTED BY: Emily Prescott, Co-Chair, GAC

DATE SUBMITTED: January 14, 2022

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Emily Prescott reported on the following:

- Legislation is up and running since January 6
- Committee will be meeting remotely
- Offered Testimony on LD 1801 with the Storm Water Committee
- Submitted written testimony on January 10
- Did written reports
- Monitoring LD 1826, LD 1835 – Both are Storm Water Bills
- Coming up is LD 1911, LD 1875, LD 1891
- Working on Legislative Breakfast – Will be held remotely
- February 16th - Legislative Breakfast, and have speakers lined up
- LD 5555 – Provided testimony – Bruce Berger thinks this bill is dead!
- Meeting next week

JETCC Report



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REPORT

MAINE WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION

Local Government Center
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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: January 21, 2022

COMMITTEE/OFFICE NAME: JETCC Board

CHAIR/OFFICER NAME: Leeann Hanson, Program Manager

RECENT ACTIVITIES:

- Our final virtual class was held on December 21
- Our first 3 virtual classes will have been delivered by meeting date, including the start of a good core of **Basic WW "Need to Know"** exam prep classes as well as fun informative topics.
- Last pre-graduation MCS class held on January 19 at BSD – Blueprint Reading Thanks to Wright -Pierce and BSD crew!
- See attached virtual class list for Spring 2022 as of this date. More classes to be added later in schedule.
- Also Look for NEIWPC offering NEWEA Exam prep classes to prep for:
 - NEWEA WWCS Certification Exam prep classes (Feb 1 – 4)
 - TUE, FEB 1, 2022 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM EST
 - WED, FEB 2, 2022 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM EST
 - THU, FEB 3, 2022 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM EST
 - FRI, FEB 4, 2022 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM EST
- Next JETCC Board meeting on February 15, 2022
- Even numbered WW Operators.... renewal date is March 1, 2022 to obtain 18 hours
- Visit www.jetcc.org for your CEU report these reports are updated first of each month
- Management Candidate School students to graduate on February 3 during MWUA Convention!
 - Next MCS program scheduled for Fall 2022

REPORT SUBMITTED BY: Leeann Hanson

DATE SUBMITTED: January 14, 2022

JETCC 2022 Spring VIRTUAL Training Schedule

January 11	Wastewater 101 <i>Judy Bruenjes & Mac Richardson</i> Class time 12:15 – 3:15 class opens at 11:30 am	GTT
January 13	Creating Good SOP's for O&M Manuals <i>Kathy Rodgers & Michael Cohrs of RCAP Solutions</i> Class time 1:15 – 3:15 class opens at 12:30 pm	GTT*
January 20	Intro to Activated Sludge <i>Scott Firmin</i> Class time 12:15 – 3:15 class opens at 11:30 am	GTT
February 10	Municipal Activated Sludge System <i>Scott Firmin</i> Class time 12:15 – 3:15 class opens at 11:30 am	GTT
February 16	Introduction to Fixed Film <i>Nick Rico + Rob Pontau</i> Class time 1:15 – 3:15 (?)	GTT
February, 23	The Ethics of Operating a Wastewater or Drinking Water Facility <i>Pam Parker, Jim Crowley & David VanSlyke</i> Class time 1:15 – 3:15	GTT*
February 24	Microbiology of Activated Sludge <i>Patrick Wiley</i> Class time 1:15 – 3:15 class opens at 12:30 pm	GTT
March 10	Process Control <i>Scott Firmin</i> Class time 12:30 – 3:30 class opens at 11:45 am+	GTT
March 15	Chemistry Basics for Operators Part 1 <i>Kathy Rodgers & Michael Cohrs of RCAP Solutions</i> Class time 1:15 – 3:15 class opens at 12:30 pm	GTT*
March 16	Chemistry Basics for Operators Part 2 <i>Kathy Rodgers & Michael Cohrs of RCAP Solutions</i> Class time 1:15 – 3:15 class opens at 12:30 pm	GTT*
April 7	WW Sampling <i>Judy Bruenjes & Fred Gallant, Maine DEP; Jackie Villinski more info TBA</i> Class time 1:15 – 3:15 class opens at 12:30 pm	GTT
April 14	Math Made Manageable 2 hour block with optional 3 rd hour wkshp <i>Scott Firmin</i> Class time 12:15 – 3:15 class opens at 11:30 am	GTT*
April 28	Industrial Treatment & Pretreatment Overview <i>Judy Bruenjes, Jim Crowley, Terry Tucker, Sandra Keschl</i> https://attendee.gototraining.com/65h39/catalog/4239658974401623296?tz=America/New_York	GTT

NEIWPCC Classes to prepare for the NEWEA Lab Exam and the NEWEA WWCS Exam

22S-ETC1920 - NEWEA Lab Analyst 1 Certification Exam Prep (four sessions)(12hrs)

Tuesday, January 11 through Friday, January 14, 2022 (Four Sessions)

1. TUE, JAN 11, 2022 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM EST
2. WED, JAN 12, 2022 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM EST
3. THU, JAN 13, 2022 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM EST
4. FRI, JAN 14, 2022 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM EST

This course is sponsored by NEIWPCC in conjunction with EPA

Instructor: Nora Lough, Clean Water Training and Solutions, LLC

Description: This four-session, 12-hour virtual course is intended for those preparing to take the NEWEA Lab Analyst I Certification exam. Participants will receive basic to intermediate instruction on laboratory practices including, but not limited to sampling techniques, preservation, and holding times; chemistry and solutions/dilutions; review of analytical methods and equipment for the most common wastewater parameters; microscopy basics; lab calculations, temperature conversions, and significant figures; quality control/quality assurance; lab safety; and recordkeeping.

* Important note: Certification exams are now administered only by NEWEA. This course does NOT include the exam. Those seeking to take the exam must apply and test directly through NEWEA. Please visit NEWEA's website for more information or to apply to take an exam: <https://www.newea.org/careers/certification/analyst-certification-program/>.

This course is approved for 12 wastewater TCHs in CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, and VT.

Participants MUST attend and be attentive during ALL FOUR SESSIONS to receive full credit. Participants must attend and be attentive during a minimum of 50% of the course to receive any partial credit.

Registration closes one hour before class starts.

Links to certificates will be emailed to participants upon course completion.

Cancellations must be received at Training@NEIWPCC.org no less than 24 hours prior to course start time.

Price: \$300.00 USD

Registration Link

https://attendee.gototraining.com/65h39/register/4179457421856329473?tz=America%2FNew_York&training_5_register=Register

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22S-ETC1921 NEWEA Collection Systems Certification Exam MATH PREP SUPPLEMENT

MON, JAN 31, 2022 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM EST

Instructor: Don Kennedy, NEIWPCC

Description: This optional prerequisite to our NEWEA Collection Systems Certification Exam Prep course is intended for those who need to brush up on their basic math skills prior to attending the exam prep course. Through review and practice, this class identifies calculations and conversions required to solve math problems for the NEWEA certification exam. Topics covered include problem solving, fractions, exponents, order of operations, conversions, solving for an unknown, and review of calculations such as area, volume, velocity, flow, and slope. Students must have a BASIC CALCULATOR to use during this course.

* Important note: Certification exams are now administered only by NEWEA. This course does NOT include the exam. Those seeking to take the exam must apply and test directly through NEWEA. Please visit NEWEA's website for more information or to apply to take an exam:
<https://www.newea.org/careers/certification/collection-systems-certification-program/>.

Wastewater TCHs approved in MA and RI. Approval pending in CT, ME, NH, and VT.

Registration closes one hour before class starts.

Participants must attend the entire session and participate in polls to receive training contact hours (TCHs). Links to certificates will be emailed to participants upon course completion.

Cancellations must be received at Training@NEIWPCC.org no less than 24 hours prior to course start time.

Price: \$50.00 USD

Registration Link

https://attendee.gototraining.com/65h39/register/1194384507513977090?tz=America%2FNew_York&training_9_register=Register

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22S-ETC1922 NEWEA Collection Systems Certification Exam Prep - Grades 1 through 4 (Four Sessions) (12hrs) Tuesday, February 1 through Friday, February 4 (Four Sessions)

1. TUE, FEB 1, 2022 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM EST
2. WED, FEB 2, 2022 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM EST

3. THU, FEB 3, 2022 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM EST
4. FRI, FEB 4, 2022 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM EST

This course is sponsored by NEIWPCC in conjunction with EPA

Instructor: Don Kennedy, NEIWPCC

Description: This four-session, 12-hour virtual course is intended for those preparing to take Grades 1 through 4 of the NEWEA Collection Systems Certification exams. Participants will receive instruction on collection system operation and maintenance (O&M), including but not limited to the purpose of wastewater collection, wastewater flow characteristics, collection system components; pump stations, system maintenance and inspection; pipeline rehabilitation, and collection system safety. The course will also review math concepts and provide example problems for exam preparation, so bring a BASIC CALCULATOR to use during class.

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This course is approved for 12 wastewater TCHs in MA, ME, CT, NH, RI, and VT.

Participants MUST attend and be attentive during ALL FOUR SESSIONS to receive full credit. Participants must attend and be attentive during a minimum of 50% of the course to receive any partial credit.

Registration closes one hour before class starts.

Links to certificates will be emailed to participants upon course completion.

Cancellations must be received at Training@NEIWPCC.org no less than 24 hours prior to course start time.

Price: \$300.00 USD

This training meets 4 times.

5. TUE, FEB 1, 2022 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM EST
6. WED, FEB 2, 2022 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM EST
7. THU, FEB 3, 2022 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM EST
8. FRI, FEB 4, 2022 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM EST

Registration Link

https://attendee.gototraining.com/65h39/register/421901722658996993?tz=America%2FNew_York&training_10_register=Register

Leeann Hanson reported on the following:

- Still in Virtually training
- Started with entry level classes
- Had first Management Class in person class in Brunswick
- The group that signed on November 13th are ready to complete the program

- Updating a list of Management Class graduates that have promoted into leadership roles
- Looking at 2022 for their next management class
- February 15th is next JETCC meeting
- Looking for new Industrial board member
- The schedule they have now is till the end of April
- They have an updated CEU listing and folks can get their credit

Laboratory Report

Andy Wendell reported the following:

- DEP just released draft integrated Water Quality Report – It's a hard read, and has over 200 pages. Draft comments due February 21st
- Twenty facilities in Maine are going to start doing COVID testing
- Some facilities just got a letter from the NH laboratory they are getting out of the toxicity testing

Membership Report

Rob Pontau reported the following:

- Nothing to say because he hasn't done anything
- Ops Challenge meeting next week at NEWEA
- Now a voting member on MWUA's board

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MWUA Representative Report

Bruce Berger reported the following:

- Full steam ahead for the conference
- Legislative breakfast is February 16th virtually
- Updates on Administrative taken over for MeWEA
- Website went live. Paula will work on making it better
Payment process is going really well on member clicks
- Asked for suggestions to what MeWEA would like and to not hesitate to suggest
- Suggestion to update the agenda and have the Administrative Report moved up
- It was indicated changes need to be made to the agenda. Bruce noted that we will take an update the agenda and take out duplicates

Personal Advancement Report



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Augusta, ME 04330

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: 1-21-22 _____

COMMITTEE/OFFICE NAME: Personal Advancement Committee _____

CHAIR/OFFICER NAME: Charlene Poulin _____

RECENT ACTIVITIES: Prepared for MWUA conference/Started Prepping for April Spring Meeting _____

DECISIONS MADE: Topics and leads for Spring meeting – will discuss at executive meeting _____

MEETINGS HELD/ATTENDED: Virtual Meeting on 1-13-22 to start planning for Spring Meeting _____

ACTION PLAN COMMITTEE/OFFICER ASSIGNMENTS: _____

NEXT MEETING/OTHER IMPORTANT DATES/DEADLINES: Deadline of end of January for Spring conference _____

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS & MISCELLANEOUS: Will discuss at executive committee ideas and topics for Spring conference _____

REPORT SUBMITTED BY: Charlene Poulin _____

DATE SUBMITTED: 1-14-22 _____

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- Dave indicated that Charlene Poulin is looking for more Session Topics at the Spring Conference
- It was indicated they had a meeting a couple of weeks ago
- Bruce suggested she reach out to Thomas B to get some ideas on topics.

Pretreatment Report

Terry Tucker was not present

Public Relations Report

Paula Drouin reported:

- Started a MeWEA team for the Urban run-off 5K. This will be at Southern Maine Community College

Residual Management Report



MAINE WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION
Maine Water Utilities Association
15 University Drive
Augusta, ME 04330

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: 1/21/2022 (MWUA)

COMMITTEE NAME: Residuals Management

CHAIR NAME: Jeff McBurnie

RECENT ACTIVITIES: NEBRA Reg/Leg Committee (12/21); NEWEA GAC (12/21)

DECISIONS MADE: No new decisions made.

MEETINGS HELD/ATTENDED: See above

ACTION PLAN COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS: The 130th ME Legislature as the 2nd Session is underway. I'll continue to work with the Government Affairs committee and the ME DEP to work on Residuals related regulations and legislation, including the sludge fee implementation. Continuing to work with NEBRA as the Reg/Leg Committee Chair to track and respond to legislative and regulatory activities related to PFAS and other biosolids management issues throughout New England.

NEXT MEETING/OTHER IMPORTANT DATES/DEADLINES: NEBRA Reg/Leg Committee meeting (1/18); MEWEA GAC (1/26).

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS & MISCELLANEOUS: None.

REPORT SUBMITTED BY: Jeff McBurnie

DATE SUBMITTED: 1/11/2022

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- A couple of PFAS bills on the docket for Monday.
- LD 1875 – Strictly targeted for the Landfill in Old Town. This is a poorly written bill. Looking at 20 million dollars for this project. He recommends we don't vote for nor against it. He suggested we let this play out. This bill pits potential partners against one another. The partnership is working very well right now. This bill is pushing to make unwise decision. This bill was not supposed to go this far.
How much can taxpayers or rate payers afford?
- LD 1911 – Regulating something that is already being done by DEP.
They want to add 4 more compound that are already drinking water standards
- Discussion having a MWUA board member being a voting member on this board. Rob has volunteered to be the MWUA voice on this board. Tim Wade thought it was a good idea. It was discussed that it wasn't a Board vote and that it is up to Dave Beauchamp to decide.

Storm Water Report



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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: **January 21, 2022**

COMMITTEE/OFFICE NAME: **Stormwater Committee**

CHAIR/OFFICER NAME: **Sarah King / Kristie Rabasca**

RECENT ACTIVITIES:

- **MS4 General Permit finalized after Friends of Casco Bay appeal.**
- **New Stormwater Committee representatives assisted in commenting with the Government Affairs Committee on LD1801 An Act To Modify Exemptions for Certain Storm Water Discharges to Class AA and SA Waters. In support of changes to allow existing stormwater discharges to SA and AA waters.**

DECISIONS MADE:

- **Clean Water Needs Survey data collection begins 3/1/2022 by Maine DEP Brandy Piers. Stormwater Clean Watershed Needs SubCommittee will be established.**
- **Q1 Full Committee Meeting will be scheduled at 1/18/2022 Transition and Planning Meeting. (note this meeting is after the submission of this report, so we may provide verbal updates at the Executive Committee Meeting).**

MEETINGS HELD/ATTENDED: **Transition and Planning Meeting 1/18/2022 (G. Anderson, S. King, K. Rabasca)**

ACTION PLAN COMMITTEE/OFFICER ASSIGNMENTS: **None**

NEXT MEETING/OTHER IMPORTANT DATES/DEADLINES: **None**

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS & MISCELLANEOUS: **None**

REPORT SUBMITTED BY: **Sarah King & Kristie Rabasca**

DATE SUBMITTED: **1/14/2022**

Kristie Rabasca reported the following:

- Sarah King is the new co-chair and welcomed her
- Sarah King introduced herself
- Had a transitional meeting with Gretchen Anderson & Sarah King
- Have dates assigned
- Meeting coming up with the full committee
- Sarah will be doing a Survey Monkey to see what kind of things they like about MeWEA
- Focus on Public Education, Clean Water Sheds, etc,
- Function List doesn't reflect what they truly do so want to review
- Regrouping to make sure they are focusing on committee needs
- Her Storm Water Permit finally got it approved
- Two new Committee Chairs on the Government Affairs Committee

Treatment Plant Operator Report

Alex Buechner was not present

Young Professionals Report



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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: Friday, January 21st, 2022.

COMMITTEE/OFFICE NAME: Young Professionals

CHAIR/OFFICER NAME: Brody Campbell

RECENT ACTIVITIES: N/A

DECISIONS MADE: Family Ice Skating Night to take place at Thompson's Point on Thursday February 3rd at 5:30 PM. YP Committee covers the cost of entry and skate rentals. Sponsor (FR Mahoney & Associates) to cover the cost of drinks. All MEWEA members are encouraged to attend and to bring friends and family.

MEETINGS HELD/ATTENDED: N/A

ACTION PLAN COMMITTEE/OFFICER ASSIGNMENTS: N/A

NEXT MEETING/OTHER IMPORTANT DATES/DEADLINES: Family Ice Skating Night to take place at Thompson's Point on Thursday February 3rd at 5:30 PM. Next YP meeting in mid-February to discuss Urban Runoff 5k planning.

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS & MISCELLANEOUS: If you have anyone interested in getting involved in the YP Committee have them email Brody at brody.campbell@wright-pierce.com !

REPORT SUBMITTED BY: Brody Campbell

DATE SUBMITTED: 1/14/22

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- Family Skating will be on February 3rd, Thompson's Point a 5:30 p.m.
22 people already signed up

MeWEA Rep Report

Joan Kiszely requested the following:

- Needed a place to host the MWUA meeting for the February and November
- Rob Pontau volunteered to host the February meeting in Brunswick in their conference room. February 18th he will host.
- Dave volunteered to host November, but it was decided that MWUA would host the November meeting

Presidents Report

Dave Beauchamp reported the following:

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1st Vice Presidents Report



COMMITTEE / OFFICER REPORT

MAINE WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION
Local Government Center
60 Community Drive
Augusta, ME 04330

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: 01.21.2022 _____

COMMITTEE/OFFICE NAME: First VP _____

CHAIR/OFFICER NAME: Tim Wade _____

RECENT ACTIVITIES: Work with Co-Chairs of GAC, Legislative Breakfast, Ski Day, 50th Anniversary of CWA, and SPS _____

DECISIONS MADE: Leg Breakfast Speakers (Z. Henderson, A. Lachance, B. Kavanah, M. Abbott, moderator J. Cohen or T. Wade) and date (2/9 or 16), Ski Day contract signed for Saddleback 3/17, SPS (Black Bear Inn Orono on 3/31) Topics to be – 1) MEWEA Dues Structure, 2) MEWEA/MWUA relationship, how to maximize the benefits of this relationship – roles, committee work, etc, 3) Review current committees – is their too many or any missing? _____

MEETINGS HELD/ATTENDED: See Recent Activities _____

ACTION PLAN COMMITTEE/OFFICER ASSIGNMENTS: _____

NEXT MEETING/OTHER IMPORTANT DATES/DEADLINES: 2/18 EC meeting – Finalize SPS _____

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS & MISCELLANEOUS: _____

REPORT SUBMITTED BY: Tim Wade _____

DATE SUBMITTED: 01.14.2022 _____

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Other: _____

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50th Anniversary for Clean Water Act Celebration. MeWEA is planning on celebrating that. They have an Ad Hoc Committee created and the first meeting will be in February.

A lot of Stakeholders will be on the Committee

- Strategic Planning coming up the end of March.

Topics he is suggesting: MeWEA New Structure for Membership Dues, MeWEA relationship to merge resources, Review of the current committees

Look at Committee or functions

Will want this to be Virtual also! Bruce indicated MWUA has all the equipment for hybrid.

Bruce indicated that MWUA has a logo for the 50th Clean Water Act and they can use this.

2nd Vice President

Gretchen Anderson was not present.

Past President Report

Phil Tucker was not present.

New Business

None

Adjourn: Motion made by Jeff McBurnie, seconded by Rob Pontau, all approved to adjourn the meeting at 10:42 a.m.