

Rondout Creek Watershed Alliance
Rondout Municipal Center Room M15
6:00pm - 8:00pm

Agenda
8/21/19

Regular Business

1. Introductions
2. Guest: Michael Squire of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), project manager for the [Ellenville Scrap Iron and Metal site](#) and Damian Duda, Superfund and Emergency Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency - Region 2.
3. Approve 7/18/19 notes

Upcoming Events

1. Confirm proposed September 21st, 10am - 1pm: "[Future Forests in the Rondout Creek Watershed](#)" Coxing Kill Clean-up / Maintenance Event
 - a. Notice was sent on July 18 to postpone and reschedule event. Follow-up required.
 - b. New COI for 9/21?
2. Riverkeeper Water Quality Program to present sampling history/options for the Rondout Creek in October.

Old Business

1. Ulster County Properties/Rondout Creek
 - a. Amanda LaValle: *"Every year many properties come through the auction. I, along with a few others, inspect the list many times over for a couple different reasons. Creek or recreational access is one of the biggies. I know once the auction book is produced DEC will look at it as well as DEP and Scenic Hudson. But most of the times, we've already reached out to partners about pieces we think they may be interested in. I also announce it at the EMC meeting. But by all means it would be great to have the Rondout group also inspecting the list. Here is a link to what is posted on the county website. <https://ulstercountyny.gov/finance> But I usually do my review of the properties using GIS because then I can layer in other data that i think is important...(other conserved lands, known sites of environmental concern; core habitat...)"*
2. The Project - Tracing the Tannery Brook by Emily Vail
 - a. At last month's meeting, the RCWA asked for the link to Emily Vale's project on the Tannery Brook. <https://www.tracingtannerybrook.com/the-project>
3. RCWA successfully submitted a letter to the USACE before the July 26 regarding the Draft Integrated Feasibility Study and Environmental Assessment for Hudson River Habitat Restoration Ecosystem Restoration Study.
4. Committee updates.
 - a. Project Committee: Communications
 - i. Logo/Artwork/Brochure
 1. Rondout Watershed Map: Update from Adriana via Andrew
 - ii. Social Media
 1. Draft policy to present in September.
 - iii. Project Committee: [Riparian Zone Planting](#) (RZP)
 1. RCWA to discuss an [advocacy plan for a park at Port Ben Bridge](#)
 - b. Email address password

New Business