

Rondout Creek Watershed Alliance

Agenda

8/29/18

Regular Business

1. Adoption of notes from 7/25/18 (2 minutes)
 - a. Send amendments to Rebecca Martin at rmartin@riverkeeper.org
2. Introductions (10 minutes)
 - a. Your name, where you're from, what skills you want to bring to Rondout Creek.
 - b. Membership Inquiries
 - i. Bosch Purvis, Accord
 - ii. Matt Igoe, Rosendale
 - iii. Hank Alicandri, Wawarsing
3. RCWA Open Seats (2 minutes)
 - i. We are looking for members from the Towns of Ulster, Esopus, Rosendale and the City of Kingston.

New Business

1. Hudson River Watershed Alliance
 - a. HRWA would like to welcome RCWA in an upcoming HRWA digest that goes out to their email list.
 - i. Request one-two sentences about group (could be mission)
 - ii. Request Contact and Steering Committee information (who is involved, what's the structure?) (15 minutes)
 1. 'Draft' RCWA Organizational Structure Discussion
 - a. Document - Rondout Creek Watershed Alliance: Mission, Mission Area, Partners
 - b. Steering Committee
 - i. One-two people from each municipality?
 - ii. At-large members?
 - iii. Composed of whom?
 - c. Contact information- who will field and share emails from Maureen?
 2. Model Language: Bylaws (point person: Rebecca) (5 minutes)
 - a. Wallkill River Watershed Alliance Bylaws (attached)
 - b. Sparkill Creek Watershed Alliance guiding documents (forthcoming)
2. Upcoming Events (5 minutes)
 - a. **September 23, 2018: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Tree Planting on Wallkill River** The Montgomery Conservation Advisory Council is hosting a tree planting event on the Wallkill River at Benedict Farm Park in Montgomery. In cooperation with NYS DEC's Trees For Tribes program. Volunteers needed!
 - b. **October 6, 2018: 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm 2nd Annual Wallkill River Festival** River to Ridge Trailhead, Springtown Road, New Paltz. A day of music, food and fun in celebration of the Wallkill River Watershed. Organized by the Wallkill River Watershed Alliance.

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- c. **October 23, 2018 Hudson River Watershed Alliance's Annual Watershed Conference FDR Presidential Library, Hyde Park, NY** Sponsorships and exhibitor tables available. Contact: mcunningham@hudsonwatershed.org for details. Register at website.
- d. **HRWA Roundtables** - Rebecca will report back.

Old Business

- 1. Committee Work
 - a. Riparian Zone Planting Committee (RZPC) (*point person: Andrew*)
 - i. Trees for Tribs (*5 minutes*)
 - 1. "Trees for Tribs" guidelines.
 - 2. Project Summary: RCWA Trees for Tribs
 - 3. Riparian Zone Planting Committee to select project by application deadline (March 1st).
 - ii. RZPC to report back to Steering Committee in September
 - b. Communications Committee
 - i. List of topics for LTE, Newspapers, etc. (*point person: Adrianna*) (*3 minutes*)
 - 1. Communications Committee to report next steps to Steering Committee in September.
 - ii. RCWA Brochure (*point person: Andrew*) (*20 minutes*)
 - 1. Establish brochure launch date in 2019.
 - 2. Content and Budget for brochure.
 - a. Content
 - i. What will the map show?
 - ii. What topic(s) will be covered in the text?
 - iii. How will the Alliance be introduced?
 - iv. Who might we need to consult with?
 - b. Budget
 - i. Update from Andrew
 - ii. How many copies for initial run?
 - iii. Deadline for final budget (needed for funding applications/donation requests)
 - 3. Group to report back in September.
 - iii. Trash P/U Social Media Contest (*point person: Tom*) (*2 minutes*)
 - 1. Marletown ECC follow-up
- 2. Any New or Old Business Items. (*10 minutes*)

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 26th.