

EPCAMR 2018 3rd Quarter Board Meeting

Tentative Agenda – August 16th

EPCAMR Office

11:00AM
Info.
Portion
of
Meeting

Discussion and Correspondence

- Handouts: Minutes, Treasurer's Report and corresponding documents
- Discussion on Mine Mapping Grant contract for 3 years; hired another full-time staff person
- Update on ARIPPA Awards

Staff

Grants, Conferences, Events, Workshops

- Forum on the Susquehanna - August 20 - Dixon University, Harrisburg
- NAAMLPA Conference, Williamsburg, VA - September 9 – 12, 2018
- Centralia Cleanup - October 20th 9 am to 3 pm (Lunch for Volunteers)
- 250th Anniversary of Anthracite Industry (1768 Obadiah Gore) events to happen throughout 2018; contact Scott Herring for a calendar.

Staff

Watershed Reports

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All

12:00PM

Begin
Business
Portion of
Meeting

Call to Order Business Meeting: (sign-in sheet)

President

Minutes from Last Mgt. (February 15th): File for Audit

Secretary

Treasurer's Report

- File for Audit: Checking & PA Invest Account Balances
- See "Jobs List" and "Grants Applied For" memos for more info (handout)

Treasurer

AMR Program Reports (3 minutes each; Anticipated work on opposite side)

Staff

Committee Reports

- Ad Hoc Communications: Update on RECLAIMING PA video series
- Budget & Finance: Reminder to begin 2019 Draft Budget
- Personnel: Reminder to start Staff Evaluations

Respective
Comm. Chairs

Old Business

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President

Hotlinks
in this
document
will take
you to
more info.

New Business

- Motion to approve committee decision(s)
- Motion to approve and sign Swoyersville Culm Pile Removal AML PILOT Project contract with Keystone Reclamation; and "mining license" with DEP
- Motion to accept nominations, suggest nominations and elect board members
- Motion to nominate and elect the executive committee
- ...
- Motion to adjourn business portion of the meeting

President

President

1:00PM

Next Meeting: *Tentatively* February 15th, 2018 11:00AM (with lunch, bring \$5)

Tentative for 2018: November 15th, 2018

AMR Program Staff Anticipated Work for Next Quarter (looking forward)
Partners and Places in bold

General Staff

- Scanned & cataloged 459, georeferenced 137, & created 9 mine maps mosaics from **PA DEP Bureau of Abandoned Mine Reclamation (BAMR) Wilkes-Barre Office** and **Pottsville District Mining Office (DMO)** collections to close out the 2013-2018 Mine Subsidence Insurance (MSI) Mine Map Processing Grant. The grant will to continue for another 3 years coordinated by the **California DMO**. Began digitizing mine elevations, boundaries and entries again with the enterprise geodatabase. Maintain a backup on our 14TB local server.
- Give back **Hicks Creek** Natural Stream Channel Design Project (**Exeter Boro., Luzerne Co.**). Landowner stopped the project because construction would be too loud for the nursing home.
- Begin a \$4M AML Pilot project to reclaim waste coal piles at the former Harry E. Colliery in **Swoyersville, PA** with **Keystone Reclamation** and **PA DEP BAMR**.
- Begin an aquatic organism passage (AOP) study on creeks in the **Wilkes-Barre Area** with a \$15K grant from **Patagonia**.
- Continue \$21K **SRBC** Phase 1 Contract to map/model mine pools related to the **Mocanaqua Tunnel Discharge (Luzerne Co.)** and \$65K Phase 2 contract to drill and monitor boreholes / discharges with **AES**.
- Continue "City Streets to Valley Streams" education program with disadvantaged youth using \$10K from **First Federal Charitable Foundation**.
- Continue **Abraham's Creek** Coldwater Heritage Plan with \$5K funding from **PA TU**.
- Start **Toby's Creek** Coldwater Heritage Plan with \$5K funding from **PA TU**.
- Continue to monitor chemistry/flow at **Askam** Treatment System monthly in the **Nanticoke Creek Watershed** under ~\$5K contract with **Earth Conservancy**.
- Bill-down and reimburse for projects and services (quarterly) to maintain cash-flow.
- Administer the \$2.5K **ARIPPA** AMD/AML Reclamation Awards for **EPCAMR Region**.
- Waiting on approval of 4 grants; Continue to seek funding to further our mission.
- Continue to look for stream segments in the **EPCAMR Region**, where improvements have been made to streams on the 303 (d) List of Impaired Waters, that should be reassessed and stand a good chance of being removed from the list. Gather supporting water quality monitoring or biological monitoring evidence and report to the **PA DEP Bureau of Conservation and Restoration (BCR) Section 319 Program**.
- Continue to provide technical & outreach assistance to **EPCAMR partners** dealing with AML issues, as needed.
- Plan for the joint **National Abandoned Mine Land Programs (NAAMLPL)**, **National Association of State Land Reclamationists (NASLR)**, and **PA statewide Abandoned Mine Reclamation Conference** via conference call with **PA DEP** and the **AMR Conference Committee**. 2019 conference will be September 8-11 in Pittsburgh. Maintain www.NAAMLPL2019.com and treatminewater.com websites.
- Continue to provide AMD Field Tours and participate Environmental Outreach Events.
- Harvest, dry, process, package, and inventory Iron Oxide products to sell online.
- Complete EPCAMR Annual Reports and post to GuideStar.org.
- Completed another update of **RAMLIS** for 2018 with updated information from the **Pennsylvania Spatial Data Access (PASDA) Server**.
- Update EPCAMR websites, including www.epcamr.org as needed, as well as the G Suite for Nonprofit Email / App Account and Facebook Social Media outreach tools.
- Participate in AML Campaign Calls to keep up on legislative happenings.
- Still waiting on an agreement with **SMS,LLC** to install transducers and monitor water levels in several boreholes in the mine pool related to the Old Forge Borehole AMD Remediation Project on the **Lackawanna River**.
- Hope our **Community Aide, Inc.** grant is approved to coordinate cleanups in 2018 regarding our **Clean Our Anthracite Lands and Streams (COALS)** program.
- Continue to work with **EPCAMR Board** to increase Quarterly Board Mtg. efficiency.

Full Monthly Reports for all staff are [available online](#) for your review

- Create monthly progress reports, post them to the EPCAMR website and send to **PA DEP BCR Section 319 Program** along with an invoice of time and resources spent for reimbursement.