

MINUTES OF MS4 COMMITTEE MEETING  
July 13, 2015

Present: Paul Shepherd, Peter Reich, Jay Card, Billy Banks, Chris Tehan,  
Laury Dowd  
Absent: Butch Labrozzi, John Colby

The committee considered possible applications for the Suffolk County Water Quality Protection and Restoration Program grant, which are being reviewed in the Fall. A request to install permeable pavement at Town Hall was discussed, but the price would be twice as much as installing a drywell with conventional pavement so it was not endorsed. There was a discussion about the Goat Hill stormwater runoff project, which would help handle the 1 million gallons of stormwater that come off the golf course and end up in Ice Pond and Chase Creek. Jay reported that due to clay layers, the drywells would have to be installed as much as thirty feet deep. This would require renting specialized equipment, since the town does not have the in-house capacity to handle that digging. However, it would recharge a great deal of water into the aquifer. Discussion of constructing a vegetative wetland concluded that it would not be able to handle the quantity of water necessary. Jay will pursue this grant for at least a portion of the Goat Hill project.

Laury demonstrated the EPA stormwater runoff calculator. She suggested that it could be used to review various stormwater runoff scenarios and help prioritize solutions.

Billy reported on the possible stop work order for a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan for land clearing on Ram Island. It turned out to be less than one acre and thus did not trigger the requirement. It has subsequently been replanted.

The conversation moved into priorities for stormwater runoff project budgeting for 2016. The budget process will begin in a month. The Town is exploring the options of obtaining a grant writer, who could help find funding for projects. No priorities were identified. Laury asked the committee to look at the Shelter Island Watershed Management Plan prior to the next meeting, so that we can discuss projects for implementation in the 2016 budget.

The meeting adjourned at 3:55pm.  
The next meeting is August 10, 2015.

The Meeting dates for 2015 are:

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