



NBWW Monitoring and Water Quality Impairment Abatement Committee Meeting

Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at 1:00pm – 2:00pm
Lake Forest Municipal Service Building, 800 N Field Dr, Lake Forest, IL
60045, Basement Training Room

NBWW MONITORING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

1. Call Meeting to Order

Introductions & Roll Call

Rob Flood, North Branch Chicago River Watershed Workgroup (NBWW) Monitoring Committee Chair, called the NBWW Monitoring & Water Quality Impairment Abatement Committee meeting to order at 1:02pm.

Monitoring Committee members present were **Rob Flood**, North Shore Water Reclamation District (NSWRD); **Kate Amoruso**, Village of Wilmette; **Larry Bridges**, East Skokie Drainage District; **Sam Barghi**, Village of Lincolnshire; and **Leonard Dane**, Fehr Graham Engineering & Environmental. **Steve Silic**, Forest Preserve District of Cook County (FPDCC) attended virtually and did not vote. A roll call and introductions were performed.

2. Public Comment – None

3. Approve March 09, 2022 NBWW Monitoring & Water Quality Impairment Abatement Committee Meeting Minutes

Bridges motioned to accept the March 09, 2022, NBWW Monitoring & Water Quality Impairment Abatement Committee Meeting Minutes, seconded by Dane. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

4. Old Business

- a. **Introduce Mia Gerace:** Mia Gerace, SMC Stormwater Coordinator, was introduced to the Committee members and will be the NBWW Coordinator during Ashley Strelcheck's maternity leave.
- b. **NBWW NARP RFP Revisions & Recommendations to Executive Board:** In compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Strelcheck solicited comments from Committee members individually via email in advance of the meeting. Comments were added to a draft version of the RFP and were reviewed by the meeting attendees.
 - i. **Interview and Evaluation Team:** Flood, Bodden and Michele Mrachek (ESDD Monitoring Committee Alternate) volunteered to be a part of the NBWW NARP Consultant Interview and Evaluation Team.
- c. **In-Person vs. Virtual Monitoring Committee Meetings:** Strelcheck briefed the Committee on the current guidance on virtual meetings based on feedback from the State's Attorney. The current guidance states that the need to meet virtually must be warranted by an emergency. Members who attend virtually are not able to vote. The Committee will revisit this topic at the June meeting and consider drafting a policy for review by the Executive Board that would allow voting members who attend virtually to vote if they are not able to attend in person due to an emergency, illness, or other compromising circumstance.

5. New Business: Flood noted that the Illinois EPA NPDES Annual Monitoring Report for the North Branch Chicago River Watershed Workgroup was sent to the Illinois EPA at the end of March.

6. Member Remarks – None



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7. Next Meeting:

General Membership Meeting: Wednesday, May 11, 2022

Monitoring and Water Quality Impairment Abatement Meeting: Wednesday, June 08, 2022

8. Adjournment – 1:51pm

Bridges motioned to adjourn, seconded by Amoruso. The motion passed unanimously.

NBWW Monitoring Committee Meeting Attendees

NAME	ORGANIZATION
Ashley Strelcheck	Lake County Stormwater Management Commission & NBWW Coordinator
Brandon Janes	Village of Deerfield
Chuck Bodden	North Shore Water Reclamation District
Emily Reed	ILM
Kate Amoruso	Village of Wilmette
Larry Bridges	East Skokie Drainage District
Leonard Dane	Fehr Graham Engineering & Environmental
Mark Olszewski	Village of Deerfield
Mia Gerace	Lake County Stormwater Management Commission
Michele Mrachek	East Skokie Drainage District
Rishab Mahajan	Geosyntec Consultants, Inc.
Rob Flood	North Shore Water Reclamation District, Committee Chair
Sam Barghi	Village of Lincolnshire
Steve Silic (virtual)	Forest Preserve District of Cook County