



ISWG Meeting Notes

July 20, 2023 | 8:30 a.m. | **Hybrid Meeting**

Member	Representative	Doug PY2 Chair	Ethan PY2 Vice Chair
Biddeford	Tom Milligan	Y	Y
Cape Elizabeth	Jay Reynolds	X	X
Cumberland	Kristie Rabasca	Y	Y
Falmouth	Justin Early	Y	Y
Freeport	Adam Bliss	Y	Y
Gorham	Ethan Moskowitz	Y	Y
Old Orchard Beach	Mike Foster	Y	Y
Portland	Doug Roncarati	S, Y	Y
Saco	Joe Laverriere	X	X
Scarborough	Angela Blanchette	Y	S, Y
South Portland	Fred Dillon	M, Y	Y
SMCC	Jen Otenti	Y	Y
USM	Cara Belanger	Y	Y
Westbrook	Lynn Leavitt	Y	Y
Windham	Gretchen Anderson	Y	M, Y
Yarmouth	Steve Johnson	Y	Y

M=Motion; S=Second; A=Abstain; Y=Yes; N=No; X=Absent

Link to meeting: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LFdPsN3KYkY>

Welcome & General Announcements

- Biddeford, Freeport, Saco, Scarborough, and South Portland have paid their PY2 dues
- PY1/FY23 budget finished with \$6,853.74 remaining. This amount will be added to the carry forward.

Legislative Update (Rebecca Graham-MMA)

- Session is ongoing, Rebecca will provide updates in September, including statewide stormwater funding
- Legislature is under lots of development pressures, want to reduce/remove fees, want to remove barriers
- Manufactured Homes bill (LR 1932?) to exempt stormwater and sewer fees died
- Closure date is September 29 for emergency bills

DEP Update (Holliday Keene, Kerem Gungor, Cody Obropta)

- **CCSWCD action item:** DEP needs a list of who is still waiting for PY9 annual report review comments
- Annual report template
 - DEP is working on online report form but had technical and staffing delays, will have a trial period
 - ISWG comment: DEP online reporting form will need to be able to attach files
 - **DEP action item:** Holliday will provide annual report memo
 - Holliday recommended EPA template for NH and MA or using previous permit's report template but EPA templates are specific to each permit year
- LID ordinance appeal hearing with BEP is tentatively scheduled for early October
- Chapter 500
 - Started process internally in December, stakeholder process is delayed due to Commissioner's requirement for a facilitator, Kerem & team are reviewing RFP applicants now



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- New timeline: Select facilitator and bring them up to speed, reviewed LID ordinance white paper, want to invite in subject experts before stakeholder meetings start early November, Chap 500 subscriber list will start receiving bulletin updates, want to have final rule by Fall 2025
 - ISWG members would like Kerem at the BEP LID ordinance appeal to help align BEP decision with Chap 500
- Will be updating DEP manuals
- 5-year recertification letters for previous years will go out after staff come back from family leave
 - Having issues contacting permittees as contact information fluctuates and no easy way to update
 - Updated 5-year recertification form, requiring photo report with inspections

Pet Waste Survey (Martin Carriere (Bates Purposeful Work intern) and Griffen Northrop (District AmeriCorps))

- **CCSWCD action item:** Share presentation

Budget Chair and Vice Chair Elections

- Thank you to Doug and Justin for serving as Chair and Vice Chair in PY1
- Doug agreed to continue as Chair, Fred nominated, Jodie seconded, no discussion, unanimous roll call vote
- Ethan volunteered for Vice Chair, Gretchen nominated, Angela seconded, no discussion, unanimous roll call vote
- PY2 Budget Committee: Jodie, Gretchen, Ethan, Doug, Angela, Jen, Lynn, Tom, Adam, Steve as a mentor

Annual Report

- **CCSWCD action item:** Send reminder email to Holliday with spreadsheet report template
- MCM 5 annual inspection reports
 - Need to assess the quality of reports and timelines of reports being submitted versus timeline to address any deficiencies
 - BMP failing in terms of function versus failure to properly maintenance

PY2 Public Event

- Yarmouth had largest municipal team for Urban Runoff with 14 participants, Scarborough came in second with 13, and Gorham third with 11 **CCSWCD action item:** Put item early in September agenda
- Float email to Holiday about alternatives, check previous permit for language and event alternatives

Upcoming:

8/27 Pet Rock @ Deering Park (Portland)

8/29 YardScaping: Healthy Lawn Care Made Easy @ Lunt Auditorium (Falmouth)

9/7 DEP Erosion & Sediment Control Training @ CCSWCD (Windham)

9/15 YardScaping: From Lawns to Landscapes @ South Portland Library

9/21 September ISWG Meeting

10/3 Lake George Waterkeeper Salt Summit (online and Lake George, NY)

11/16 November ISWG Meeting

1/18 January ISWG Meeting

3/21 March ISWG Meeting

5/16 May ISWG Meeting