

WATER USE/RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMM. MEETING MINUTES
April 16, 2019

Committee Members Present: Andy Boyar, Fred Peckham, Al Henry, Doug Case, Pat Jeffer,
Ginny Dudko, Evan Padua
Committee Members Absent: Jim Greier
Staff : Laurie Ramie, Pete Golod, Ashley Hall-Bagdonas
NPS Partner: Don Hamilton
Guests: Bill Dudko

The UDC's Water Use/Resource Management Committee held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at the Council office in Narrowsburg, NY. Chairperson Boyar called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. A motion by Peckham, seconded by Dudko, to approve the March 19th meeting minutes was carried. There was no public comment on the agenda.

Old Business

3/25 Upper Delaware Scenic Byway Meeting Report: Ramie reported that at the UDSB meeting they appointed a Nominating Committee to develop a slate of candidates that will be voted upon at the annual meeting on April 22nd. Similarly to UDC, UDSB was asked to do a support letter for Sullivan County's Grant Application to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation for funding to make the improvements to the Highland fishing access. UDSB opted to approve a support letter for that purpose. The application deadline for that was April 11th.

There was a Board of Directors election for the Delaware County Chamber of Commerce of which UDSB is a part since it traverses three counties. The ballot was completed and as a member UDSB gets one vote. It was discussed collectively who to choose for the five seats out of seven candidates.

Two applications were received for the Promoting Butterflies on the Byway Grant. The first was from the Greater Barryville Chamber of Commerce. They have applied for funding for the August 3rd 2nd Annual Butterfly Ball at the Yulan Firemen's Field. On September 14th they will be having their 3rd Annual Butterfly Bike Ride from the Zane Grey Museum in Lackawaxen, PA along the byway to Barryville with a ceremony following. The application was deferred to request a better budget breakdown. The second application was from the Narrowsburg Chamber of Commerce specifically for their Honeybee Festival which is Sept. 28th. They wanted funding to go towards a mural project called "The Good of the Hive" that will go on the exterior wall of the Narrowsburg Post Office. The cost of the mural is \$23,000 and UDSB thought that was a bit steep for an art project that emphasizes bees instead of butterflies. UDSB did point out that butterflies are part of their marketing brand through "Flyway on the Byway" and while they support all pollinators it is butterflies that are the subject of the grant. Narrowsburg Chamber of Commerce is applying for various other grants to make the mural project happen.

The Marketing Committee would like to pursue a campaign with City radio station 1010 WINS. They are played in every taxi cab on a loop. The package would be 14 commercials per week for a six-week period from May 20th to July 15th. This campaign would cost \$10,620. UDSB is interested in pursuing 12 business sponsors for \$250 each to help offset the cost because they don't have that much money in the marketing budget. Anyone that signs up as a business sponsor becomes a member of UDSB. It has a dual incentive of growing the membership and at the end of the commercial it would say this slot sponsored by and provide the businesses name. The Marketing Committee has been tasked with finding those 12 business sponsors and will be reporting back at the next meeting.

On Friday, May 10th at 7 p.m. at Hancock High School auditorium the national land use planning expert Ed McMahon will present on preserving community character. McMahon was at the Narrowsburg Union for a similar program last year. This one is slightly tailored to Hancock because it is the Hancock Gateway Tourism Council which is sponsoring it but Ramie said it also applies to any River valley community. UDSB is helping to provide publicity.

A suggested sign layout design came in for the NYS Route 97 Highest Elevation Point Designation. UDSB had suggestions about the layout design because they would like to have the logo and name for UDSB added to the sign that NYS DOT will produce. That will be discussed at the next meeting.

Ramie said the Upper Delaware Visitor Center at the Callicoon Train Depot has been moving forward. The draft lease remains under negotiation with the Central New York Railroad. Ramie said site control is vital. Sullivan County has a program through the EPA Brownfields study. They retain an environmental engineering firm to do a whole series of Phase I or Phase II environmental studies as needed throughout Sullivan County. EPA Brownfields has agreed to take on the Depot project to do an environmental study of the Depot property to look in the soils and see that there's no contamination or any major environmental obstacles. This is at no cost to Callicoon Business Association because they are on a retainer with the County. An artist has been hired to do the renderings for the Depot with interior and exterior views including one with a roof off from above to see what this visitors space will look like. Some suggestions went back to the artist after the UDSB Committee reviewed it.

On the UDSB Website upperdelawarescenicbyway.org there is an events listing form that is available to anyone in the public that has something going on in the river valley they would like to promote. Click on Events to access it and fill-in required information. Ramie did promote UDC's Awards Banquet at the meeting particularly because one of the honorees for the Partnership Award is the NYS DOT Region 9 for all of the new signage that they produced; specifically, Kris Gilbert and Danielle Besso. Ramie wanted to make sure that UDSB knew that award was transpiring on April 28th and we are taking reservations for the Banquet through this Friday. April 22nd is the next UDSB meeting date with the Annual Election.

Boyar asked how reservations were going for the UDC banquet. Hall-Bagdonas said as of today we have 60 confirmed guests.

3/25 Subcommittee on Ecological Flows Meeting: This was the fifth meeting for the DRBC's Subcommittee on Ecological Flows (SEF). Golod attended this on March 25th at Lake Wallenpaupack. A brief background: Regulated Flows Advisory Committee (RFAC) had charged SEF with identifying the need to evaluate the approved 2017 10-year Flexible Flow Management Plan and reestablished SEF for that purpose of evaluating two policies in the FFMP. The first is a thermal mitigation bank of 2,500 cfs days of water to be released as needed to protect the cold water fishery below the City reservoirs. The thermal mitigation program measure of success is to eliminate as much as possible having maximum water temperatures exceeding 75° Fahrenheit. The second charge is a rapid flow mitigation bank of 1,000 cfs days of water to be released as needed to reduce ecological damage from rapid flow reductions in directed releases. An in-depth analysis was provided for thermal bank simulations which forecasts scenarios factoring 100% conditions in order to determine what SEF wants RFAC to implement regarding the releases in the FFMP.

The long range plan for thermal mitigation bank work consists of creating a strategic outline/direction for short-term releases in the summer and looking long-range for long-term releases throughout the year. The chair of the SEF Committee had asked to examine the three primary causes of dewatering events and determine what, if any action should be recommended to RFAC and the Decree Parties. The three tasks he assigned were 1. Low inflow during exceptionally cold winters; 2. The River Master induced flow reductions in anticipation of storms and 3. Lake Wallenpaupack draw down operations and balancing the Montague flow target.

The next steps for SEF are a fully written progress report which is due by April 23rd meeting including work accomplished and work received. A subgroup will formalize thermal guidelines utilizing the work that Friends of the Upper Delaware River (FUDR) have started. Golod provided a letter from FUDR in the meeting packet addressed to RFAC and SEF members offering guidance on how to move forward with this work. The Executive Director of FUDR Jeff Skelding and his alternate Molly Oliver are members of SEF. Peckham asked if there are other organizations proving recommendations? Golod said not to his knowledge. There are other agencies involved but nothing provided. Peckham would like Golod to find out if there is a comment period. Golod doesn't believe there is a comment period. FUDR is on the SEF Committee and this was the Executive Director's recommendation as a member. It wasn't an outside request. Ramie said since they passed the FFMP, which was a 10-year plan she

doesn't think they will be looking for comments because they have already ratified it. We are in the first 5 years and as of June 1st when the new Water year starts it automatically kicks in. SEF is working other issues regarding thermal mitigations and releases. Boyar said he believes by May SEF is supposed to have some ideas and recommendations as to how for it to be more effective. Golod said another next step for SEF is to produce a rapid flow analysis, big picture strategies and timelines and create a procedure of how SEF views itself moving forward with the rapid protocol document. It was mentioned that the Montague flow targets account for the Lackawaxen River and the Mongaup hydroelectric plant releases per the FFMP as far back as 2003, per the 2003 FFMP. The next SEF meeting is scheduled for next Tuesday April 23rd at Lake Wallenpaupack and Golod will be attending.

4/9 Delaware Tailwaters Fisheries Investigation Plan 2018-2020: Golod reported that this took place on April 9th at Hancock High school. This is the second year of a three-year study. Golod reported that this is a development of a Trout Management Plan to acquire biological data to determine current trout populations and qualitative and quantitative assessment in order to draft a management plan by 2021. The scope of focus right now is the West Branch below Cannonsville, below the reservoir, all the way to Hancock. It is also the East Branch below the Pepacton Reservoir to Hancock and on the Main Stem on Hancock to Callicoon including the tributaries in each reach. The objectives of this study are twofold: 1) characterize current trout population; and 2) characterize the current angling pressure and patterns for recreational use. The study will involve the direct and indirect approach as last year. The direct approach targets anglers. Many anglers and guides may have already been approached by the DEC or their volunteers last year through a Creel Survey. DEC employees or their volunteers are stationed at each reach, and launch or wade out to anglers to conduct a Creel Survey and interview. They hand the angler or guide the catch card to fill out at the end of the trip. The catch cards consist of fillable lines on a form that include items such as trip information, catch lengths and totals for several trout species which include walleye, small mouth bass and American shad. Once these cards have been filled out at the completion of their trip there are collection boxes along some of these survey reaches, launches and landings. They are collected at the end of the day from the survey drop box. The aim for the direct approach is to obtain catch rates, harvest rates, size, structure, species, composition, fishing pressure and fishing patterns.

The indirect approach is comprised of three: 1) Passive Integrated Tags (PIT); where a microchip is placed underneath the ventral side of the fish and a tag is placed. A scanner or wand is used when that fish is caught by the DEC agents to access the data from the tag. 2) Electrofishing is done by backpack electrofishing or a boat mounted electrofishing survey. 3) Redd Count is when a female excavates a pit in the sand or gravel with her tail creating a depression in the sediment for her to lay her eggs. The Redd Count consists of going out and counting these nesting pits. The purpose of the indirect study is to obtain relative abundance which is how the reach is reflected to the year prior through age, structure, growth rates, mortality rates, movement and habitat use.

Golod provided in the meeting packet a summary that the DEC put out from last year's survey. Starting with the results of the Creel Survey out of 3,851 trip surveys, anglers had caught 2,645 Brown Trout and kept 67. They caught 709 Rainbow Trout and kept nine. Regarding PIT Tagging their goal was hoping to target 1,000 adult fish greater than 12 inches in length and tag 1,000 yearlings. Their result was they were able to tag 1,218 adults and 482 yearlings. They had a recapture rate of 191 fish that were tagged from 2017, which is pretty positive. Results of the electro-fishing survey, the backpack electro-fishing for young of year, which are approximately five inches or less. They were surveyed during the day. This yielded 38 samples for young of the year in 2018 and the total included 1,932 brown trout and 452 rainbow trout. The boat electrofishing, which is for juveniles to adults, takes place at night. These surveys were conducted from April to October 2018 for adult sites. Two runs were surveyed. They yielded 36 samples with 1,221 brown trout and 147 rainbow trout. The results of the Redd Counts, for Rainbow Trout consisted of 21 tributaries that were surveyed with 82 reds observed in total. They were unable to survey the main stem reaches, due to the high flows towards the middle of the summer into the fall. The fall brown trout survey was a wash out, due to the high flows and rains. Golod said Hamilton and Peckham also attended the meeting.

Boyar finds it interesting that 700 rainbows were caught and nine were kept, 1.3%. It shows that people are understanding the value of the fish and that catch-and-release is a good thing. It brings people to spend money, fish and return most of the fish to the river. The other interesting feature Boyar notices is 3% of anglers were dissatisfied but 97% were pretty happy. Boyar was surveyed one time. He had seven fish, all 22 inches, and released them all. Boyar said this information will be valuable in three years. One of the presenters was Daryl Pierce from the

Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission. There was a lot of information (aside from what the DEC provided on the anglers) and there was a huge contingent of anglers this year that was very positive about this whole program. One thing that the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission said was that if you take home anything with all these numbers and facts and figures and percentages and the studies is that according to the beginning of the study, the cold water fisheries population is doing very well in the upper Delaware. Peckham said he believes the whole thing is catering to special interests, the fishing people. They want a no kill-zone down to Callicoon. Peckham said at this point that you don't need it because it's viable growing population. Boyar said he thinks Peckham is wrong in that because this has been an indoctrination over a dozen years to encourage people to understand the value of the fish to catch and release and to be very mindful of releasing fish. That creates a fishery, which creates an economic engine, and that's good.

4/12 Local History Roundtable meeting: Ramie said the Local History Roundtable meets every two months and this time it was hosted at the Wayne County Historical Society. Ramie said for those of you that haven't been to that museum, really should go. They do such a professional job. They have just reopened for the season so they have some new exhibits. One is called "Childhood Days". They asked people for artifacts that were toys from the olden days and collected many to interpret and to show how children amused themselves in yesteryear.

They also have an artist named Mel Stark, an impressionist painter who lived in Seeleyville. His works have not been shown publicly in 30 years. He produced a ton of local landscapes of the Wayne County area and they have access to about 600 of his paintings, which Carol Dunn has been cataloguing and Starks' family has been quite cooperative. They are also commemorating the 50th anniversary of the 1969 Woodstock concert. They put a call out for exhibits, to have artifacts for anyone from Wayne County that attended Woodstock in '69. They only got a ticket from the original concert and one pair of 'love beads'. As Dunn said, she can't really build a whole exhibit from two display items. They are now putting a call out for stories; that if you were there and can remember it, write it down in the book.

The Local History Roundtable is historical societies in Pike and Wayne counties and slightly beyond. Their big event is coming up on Saturday, April 27th, the Thomas Kennedy Local History Festival. That takes place in White Mills at the Dorflinger Glass Factory and museum. At the end of this month, they're hoping to have their "Pastports" booklets ready. They are spending about \$6,000 to print that, but they believe they can recoup that in various grants from the counties that are involved.

On May 22nd and May 23rd White Mills is hosting the Rt. 6 Alliance. They have chosen White Mills to be their heritage community. May 22nd is an educational summit from 10-2 that's open to the public. The theme of it is "How Local Organizations Can Promote Themselves". This too is at the factory museum. The next day is when they have the awards program at the Hawley Silk Mill downstairs in the Boiler Room. That will also include a tour of various White Mills attractions.

Ramie found out that the NPS will have their D&H Canal Days on May 7th-10th, then on the following week May 15th- May 17th. This is when they bring all the fourth graders from many school districts in the area. Ramie said they did succeed in getting a transportation grant, which allows the students to be bused there. That had been an obstacle in recent years. The public is welcome to come to these events on those dates. It's from 9:30 to 12:30. The students rotate stations, crossing the Roebling Bridge and doing activities on both sides of it. There are programs on canal songs, how the locks worked, and life on the canal. They have a new program this year. They're going to have one of their seasonal interns dressed as a coal miner and do an interpretation of what that industry was all about. Ramie also promoted the UDC Awards Banquet at this meeting. The award to emphasize there was the Outstanding Community Achievement Award to Wayne County Commissioners for their efforts to preserve Hankins Pond Dam from demolition. That was a D&H feeder canal in Mount Pleasant Township and whether they succeed or not in not getting this destroyed because it's considered a high hazard dam, they've done a valiant effort at the very least.

The next Local History Roundtable meeting will be Friday, July 26th, hosted at the Equinunk Historical Society's Calder House Museum.

Other: Padua had a question about the 3/19 committee meeting. There was a conversation about the DEC property in Long Eddy. Padua is curious if anyone knows of any direct contact personnel with the DEC that he may be able to reach out to. Ramie said Bill Rudge is our contact. Rudge had responded to UDC's emails about it. Rudge told us NYS now owns the property and DEC is also working on removal of the structures and other material on the property. DEC is also working on a site plan based on the input the agency received at previous meetings in the community and will provide another opportunity for public input before any public access improvements are undertaken. The Delaware Highlands Conservancy purchased the property before turning it over to the state. Ramie has heard back from Diane Rosencrance from Delaware Highlands Conservancy, that they transferred the property to DEC in March 2018. Rosencrance said Rudge would be the best one to provide another status update. Boyar said it's unfortunate that Greier is not here. Last month he gave an overview of three DEC accesses in the Town of Fremont; up in the Eddy, by Canal Street and Basket Creek. Padua's question of viability in the Town of Fremont is very much up in the air. Boyar said one of the things that he's seriously into is that if you have every guide and business launching at Canal Street, there's going to be pushback and there was. If we have more viable access, that's the key to this so that use is spread out.

New Business

USGS NextGen Water Observing System Delaware River Pilot Project: Golod included in the handout a printout from the USGS website regarding the NextGen Water Observing System. In FY 2018, USGS selected the Delaware River Basin for a pilot program, implementing the Nation's next generation water observing system to provide high fidelity real-time data on weather, data on water quality and quantity necessary to support modern prediction and decision support systems for water resource management. When this system is fully implemented and online it will provide quantitative information on stream flow, evapotranspiration, water storage in snow pack, soil moisture, a broad suite of water quality constituents such as nutrients, salinity, turbidity, wastewater indicators and connections between groundwater and surface water and water use. Hamilton said you can go on the USGS website and look up specific information. Ramie said if you were at our April 4th Full Council meeting, Kendra Russell had mentioned this project; that is what prompted looking up more details. Bill Dudko asked on the Pennsylvania side, in Pond Eddy, is that one of the new gages that are being mentioned? Hamilton said no, that's a USGS gage. It just replaces one they had. The equipment may be more compact. He believes it may just be a temperature gage. Henry noted on the back of the USGS handout denoting new gages in the Upper Delaware, there is one near the Narrowsburg area. Hamilton said these gages are going to have enhanced capabilities, salinity being one of their parameters they're adding to some of the gages. Hamilton said there's a lot of road salt runoff into this river and rivers all over the country. It's a concern of increasing salinity in surface waters. Hamilton said NPS has been looking at a trend in the Delaware where the conductivity has been gradually increasing for a couple decades. Boyar mentioned that in Seneca Lake the runoff is coming from underground salt cars and the salinity has gone way up and they are worried about their fisheries. Hamilton said there are a lot of underground mines being mined to produce rock salt for application to roads.

Delaware River Flow and Storage Report: A copy of April 15th NYC Current Reservoir Levels was provided in members' packets. Total combined storage was at 99.2%. Normal storage for the same date is 98.1%. Hamilton asked the Delaware River Master's Office for information on information on how wet last year was. The average daily flow at Montague was the second highest in their 78-year period of record last year (only to 2011).

Other: Boyar received a call from an individual who has property on Basket Creek. He said he can't get down on the other access at the Viaduct because there's a lot of rubble there. He called Boyar as a Trout Unlimited (TU) representative and asked why they don't take that on as a project? Boyar said, we will, but we have to start putting the pieces together. Is there grant money? The gentleman said, "I'll write a check." Boyar said he's never been down there. Could it be viable; could you access the Eddy above Basket Creek? Hamilton said Basket Creek access is a footpath and a little steep at the top. To get to the river you would have to wade through Basket Creek under the Railroad. It's a carry-in access. Henry said you can fit five or six vehicles. Every time water came through the Delaware it was a flood zone. Basket Creek would flood and it was a mixing area. People could gain access to the Eddy above it. You would have to carry in, launching your boat from water-level, likely a 100-foot carry through water. If there is no water then it's 300-foot across boulders. Then you must successfully launch and paddle upstream from the confluence. Padua said it's difficult. Henry said the current is closer to the PA side. Boyar said

this individual had struggled with that or done that. Now even just carrying the kayak down is pretty rugged. Boyar said if that's a DEC access he's not sure what the protocols would be to start looking into it. Boyar said he thinks that could help ameliorate the conflicts between a community like Long Eddy, to spread things out. If there were multiple decent boat accesses from Hancock down to Cherry Island, it would be beneficial. Boyar is informing WU/RM that there is a sponsor who is willing to see if that can be created. Boyar will reach out to DEC. Henry said before he retired that was one of the accesses that NPS and DEC co-manage. Henry said NPS and DEC never had interest in putting money into it because it is a 'scour zone'. Golod said at the Fisheries Investigative meeting one of the anglers asked specifically about the Long Eddy access. Golod believes one of the DEC representatives said they are currently working on an access, but they couldn't for obvious reason specify which. Henry said there are actually three DEC accesses and a town access. He said the Ferry St. access is a combination of DEC and public access. The access upstream near the acid factory is a town access which no one knows about. Boyar asked didn't Greier say fewer homeowner conflicts may occur up above at the town access? Henry said yes, he's taken trips down there with people he used to work with. People would yell at them. A motion by Henry, seconded by Case to support Trout Unlimited to try to improve the Basket Creek access was carried, with an abstention by Peckham.

Henry said individuals from Damascus asked him to address the Wurtsboro lead mine in the Town of Mamakating. It does affect the Delaware River as it does eventually flow into the D&H Canal which flows into the Bashakill that goes into Neversink. *The AP* and *The Times Herald-Record* February 20th article still say that even though there's been intervention on the part of NYS DEC who list it as a State super fund site, their report says that it still dumps 56,000 gallons a day of contaminated water. Henry said the D&H canal doesn't have any boats on it anymore. 56,000 gallons a day it's probably going to flow over to the bank of that into some watershed. It's part of the NYS DEC property, the Wurtsboro Ridge State Forest. Henry said it's in the Town of Mamakating one-mile north, if you look at the drainage it's pretty close to Sullivan County to the Delaware Watershed. Golod did some research too. What DEC has done is put up signs that say "Keep Out". They put up a lot of fencing. They buried some of the tailings with a foot or two feet of gravel to keep human contact down. Henry said none of the information he gathered mentions what they are doing with the water. Henry said that 56,000 gallons is an obscure fact to find other than it's listed on the top 10 acid mine drainage problems in the whole United States. Bill Dudko said *Times-Herald Record* did mess up that line because it flows into D&H only because that's a keeping stream. Bashakill is the feeder stream from the D&H Canal. Henry said two Supervisors from Damascus Township put in their NPS strategic survey as a concern. Henry's recommendation is to explore this issue and ask NYS DEC where do we go from here?

Golod said he went directly to the EPA website because they do have a Super fund web link. When this Committee had first prompted the Barnes Landfill research for Golod to start investigating, that was a link that Superintendent Heister had provided to him. Golod searched for: Wurtsboro lead mine and then Mamakating lead mine and nothing came up on the EPA Superfund site in Sullivan County except for the Cortese Landfill. Golod said EPA isn't updating their website. He came across the EPA On Scene Coordinator (OSC) Response Page. There was a two-page summary on what's called the Wurtsboro Lead Mine. They have it listed as Region II not Region III. Ramie said maybe that is the EPA region, not DEC. A few notes Golod wanted to highlight, the upper portion is owned by the DEC. The lower portion is primarily located on stable land. However, contamination extends to be adjacent D&H Canal as mentioned which is owned and maintained by Sullivan County. The mine was historically known as the Shawangunk Mine and the Mamakating Mine, which was one of several zinc lead mines in the Shawangunk Mountains. The DEC requested that the EPA consider an emergency removal action to address direct contact threats to hazardous substances because there's still a lot of people going out there with all-terrain vehicles, hiking and geocaches, and they're being exposed directly to lead.

On September 22nd and 23rd of 2015 the EPA met with NYS DEC representatives at the site to inspect both the upper and the lower formal operation areas. Based on the DEC sampling events and results from their lab testing of the mine tailings, millings, overburden, the rock and surface water are considered CIRCLA designated hazardous substances. CIRCLA stands for Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act, also known as Superfund. The DEC recommended to the EPA the removal action activities to be conducted would include: consolidating wastes, installing security fencing and signage, the valuation, stabilization of entrance roads, reclassification of wastes, preparation and work plans to remove lead contaminated waste and pilot test on passing treatment systems for surface water discharge. Golod could not find any mention of leakage. Henry said Wurtsboro has a brand new General Plan online. In the 64-page General Plan there is a section that talks about a world famous

mine. They don't mention 56,000 gallons a day of contamination. It seems to Golod the EPA and New York state are kind of minimizing the amount of water that's coming out obviously if it's ranked in the top 10 people should be aware of. Henry recommends staff reaching out to Rudge to look into this and report back at the next General meeting, particularly with the 56,000 gallon a day issue.

Ramie included the agenda for the next D&H Transportation Heritage Council meeting, which is its quarterly meeting on April 24th. A new historic marker is being dedicated in the Town of Highland. It's already been installed. This is from the William G. Pomeroy Foundation, which provides these transportation markers free of charge if you apply for it and can prove your source documentation. This is what the ceremony will be about at 11:00 at the Highland access by Cedar Rapids. The Town of Highland's Co-Historian Deb Conway made the arrangements for this. These meetings are open to the public. Ramie is secretary of this group. Lunch and a business meeting will follow at the new Inn at Lackawaxen.

Golod provided a handout regarding the Delaware River Basin Restoration program. Golod knows this is something that this committee has discussed since the DRBCA came into conception and now it's finally coming to fruition. As mentioned at full council, Friends of the Upper Delaware River (FUDR), were able to get a \$250,000 grant towards stream corridor restoration. This came out of the pot of money that was \$5 million in 2018. 2019 was bumped up to \$6 million. Golod said many times people say we don't see the money up this way. FUDR is one of the first to start to chip away and get some huge exposure to the Upper Delaware and do good work with the stream corridor restoration. Henry mentioned the article states that the funding has been withdrawn for 2020.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: A motion by Dudko, seconded by Padua, to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 p.m. was carried.

Minutes prepared by Ashley Hall-Bagdonas, 4/23/19