

Public Hearing – Annual MS4 Stormwater Report
May 3, 2018

The Town Board held their Monthly Meeting on the above date at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, 238 Main Street, Cold Spring, New York 10516. The purpose of the hearing was to invite the public to review the Annual Report and provide input.

PRESENT

Richard Shea	Supervisor
Nancy Montgomery	Councilwoman
John Van Tassel	Councilman
Michael Leonard	Councilman
Robert Flaherty	Councilman

Town Clerk Merando read the Public Notice.

Supervisor Shea explained that this is a big topic in town and that it is addressed every month at the Conservation Board meetings. He noted that a lot of people have gone for training over the years. He then asked Councilman Leonard to make some brief remark on the report.

Councilman Leonard explained that MS4 is basically multiple sewer systems. There are over 600 out fall structures in the Town. For the most part this exists within Continental Village with a small portion that runs in Garrison along Route 9. The committee works with Carl Frisenda, Highway Superintendent, Max Garfinkle, Natural Resource Officer and himself. They meet frequently during the year. They are required to put out an MS4 report to Washington D.C. every year in March. Basically they have milestones/timelines they have to meet and they have to set goals to meet each year for going forward. Some of the things that the group has started are: more public outreach, putting information on the Town website, and they have attended meetings at Continental Village clubhouse with discussions on fertilizers used in the area. He said that the Town is not unique in this and it isn't just Continental Village but also other parts of the Town that are being monitored. These areas were developed many years ago when they were summer residents. Now that these properties are used all year round, obviously putting out more pollutants into the lakes, we need to take active steps to be able to fix these issues. He went on to say that this is a beautiful town but more than half of the town is steep slopes. Councilman Leonard noted that in many ways that is dangerous from the Stormwater standpoint. It is very important to be proactive. We need to know the status of flood zone areas...the areas that fill up quickly. Manitou Road is a good example of that. He feels that they have done quite a bit within the last year. Councilman Leonard said that they are looking for the public's input on this.

Councilwoman Montgomery thanked Councilman Leonard for all his work on this. Supervisor Shea thanked the Conservation Board.

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There being no comments from the audience, Councilman Flaherty made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Montgomery and unanimously carried to close the Public Hearing at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Theresa Crawley
Deputy Town Clerk