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RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AGENDA

May 17, 2023

1:00 p.m.

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Approval of Minutes**
 - April 19, 2023
- 4. Scott Torrey, Soil & Water Conservation Executive Director**
 - Monthly Report
- 5. Brian Perkins, Youth Bureau Director**
 - Monthly Report
- 6. Laura Hunsberger, Cooperative Extension**
 - Monthly Report
- 7. Carissa Knapp, County Administrator**
 - Resolution Renewing Allegany County Federation of Snowmobilers Service Agreement & Authorization to Apply for the 2023-2024 New York State Snowmobile Trail Grant
- 8. Brenda Rigby Riehle, Clerk of the Board**
 - Youth Board Reappointments
 - Appointment to Fish & Wildlife Management Board
- 9. Old Business**
- 10. New Business**
- 11. Good of the Order**
- 12. Adjournment**

Allegany County SWCD May 2023 Resource Management Committee Report

- Construction season has started for us. We currently have 2 bedded pack barns and 2 liquid manure storages being constructed. We have several other projects scheduled for this summer.
- We are planning projects for 6 different Ag Non-Point Source grants for farms throughout the County. Grant applications are due June 26, 2023.
- We have been looking at several stream issues on private property.
- The NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services has offered to assist us with developing shelf ready projects for future FEMA funding. Our staff will be working with them to address some areas of concern.
- The County Forest Management Plan Update has been completed.



Allegany County Youth Bureau

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Brian Perkins
Director

Resource Management Committee
Youth Bureau Report
May 2023

PPAC– I attended the most recent PPAC Family matters meeting. They discussed the recent events at the end of April and the upcoming events for May. There was also discussion on future events. The full PPAC Meeting is coming up on Tuesday May 16, and I will be in attendance for that. I can report during the meeting if there are any major developments from that. There is a guest speaker joining us to talk about “Community Schools” which is a program that promotes ways for the community to support schools in areas of mental health, social issues, and other things that schools have been tasked with, but are not always equipped to deal with.

BIKE SAFETY – The bike safety schedule is nearly complete, and should be by the time of this meeting. Bike Safety events should start happening in the end of this month. I also have been contacted by a group at Bolivar-Richburg to assist with a bike rodeo event after school sometime in June.

LAST STOP-DWI EVENT – I have still been making myself available for the Victim Impact Panel to be held on May 23rd. Probation is doing a great job with it, but I am there to assist with any questions that may come up.

YOUTH BUREAU TRANSITION – We have held an initial meeting with DSS to discuss what the program will look like going forward. There are still details to work out for sure, but I am excited for the possibilities of what can be done in the future.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brian Perkins
Youth Bureau Director
5/10/2023

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS



Livestock, Ag Economic Development and Natural Resources:

Commercial Flower Growers meeting – April 6th (16 participants)
This hands-on meeting for high tunnel flower production. Insect Diagnostics & Biological Controls with Dr. Elizabeth Lamb, NYS Integrated Pest Management Program. She covered essentials for good diagnostics of insect and disease pests of ornamentals along with biological control of insects in ornamental greenhouses. Sharing examples of beneficial insects to look at, she discussed types that can be used to control and how to apply them. Neil Mattson, Greenhouse Extension Specialist, covered Diagnosing Plant Nutrient Disorders. Touching on the 3 different essential elements required to grow properly. He reviewed visual symptoms of common nutrient disorders and how to help determine the cause using pH and electrical conductivity (EC) meters. pH is a measure of how acidic or basic the root-zone is and this effects nutrient availability. EC is a measure of all the fertilizer and non-fertilizer salts in the root-zone and is a good way to determine if the plants are getting enough fertilizer or if there are too many salts. Participants did hands-on testing of root-zone pH and EC using handheld meters.

SNAP-Ed/Nutrition:

SNAP-Ed NY has a revamped website! The first week of April the updated website was launched. Based on feedback, the technical assistance team with collaboration with OTDA & MediaForce updates were made. We are excited for our community to use this as a resource to support healthy choices and nutrition education! Check it out at snapedny.org.

EFNEP/Nutrition:

I did a demo at the Salvation Army on their “monthly box hand out day,” and making people coming in aware of our services. I’m doing another one this month.

Farm to School/Ag in the Classroom Educator:

Currently interviewing for position.

Horticulture/Master Gardener Program:

SOIL OPEN HOUSE Cuba, NY

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Open house hosted by Barry Searl Topsoil in Cuba. Aimed to the community in Cuba, and Allegany County in general, where attendees were able to learn in person about different soils, textures, pH, and organic fertilizers. Also, master gardeners and Ag educator were answering questions from the public about soil.

GROWING ABUNDANT GARDENS IN NYS Belmont, NY

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Upcoming Programs:

- **FAMILY GARDENING ADVENTURES** May 3rd
Rushford Free Library, Rushford, NY | 6pm - pm
- **ANNUAL WOODS WALK: SECOND DATE** May 7th
Andover, NY | 1pm - 3pm
- **GARDENING CLUB 2023** May 11th
Rushford Free Library, Rushford, NY | 4pm - 5pm
- **COMPOSTING 101 ONLINE CLASS** May 15th
Online program, Belmont NY | 11am - 12pm
- **SHIITAKE MUSHROOM WORKSHOP** May 27th
Alfred State College, Alfred, NY | 10am - 12pm.

4-H:

The 4-H Horse Program will be hosting its first Open Show/fundraiser on May 20th. The ‘Dirty Pony’ horse show will be a fun filled, laidback, horse event. Volunteers will be judging a wide variety of classes as well as performing required pre-fair evaluations. Funds raised will be used to provide lunches for the 4-H Horse participants during fair.

Check out our website for future events and our current newsletter!

www.allegany.cce.cornell.edu

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Allegany County

May 2023

Collaborative:

All staff:

- Staff Meetings—second Tuesday of the month
- Regular Social Media Updates
- Assist with area food distributions as part of community outreach efforts

Livestock, Ag Economic Development and Natural Resources:

Programs:

How to Value Your Business, Planning for the Future – 3 part series geared toward livestock processing businesses (meat, fiber, dairy) - 5 Processing Businesses participated.

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Houghton University Equine Facility Management class Pasture Management Presentation (28 student participants)

On-going Program Planning:

- NE-SARE Grant - Optimizing Economic Return of Pasture-Raised Slow Growth and Conventional Broilers. On farm research project partnering with 6 farms in Allegany County as part of a three-year statewide project – 3-year program ongoing.
- Livestock Processing PWT – working on statewide processing grant RFP
- Statewide Livestock Educators Retreat
- Statewide Silvopasture training set up
- 4-H Dairy prep for fair
- NatGLC Pasture Walk Series planning
- Soil Health mini grant application
- Equine PWT Subgroup – Hay Survey to assess production, sales, and purchase of forages for horses across NYS. Planning spring forage sampling webinar. Horse Farm Improvement Program – ongoing.

Highlight of top topics addressed with individual 1-on-1 farms: soil testing, water testing, DEC pesticide certification requirements, beef production, sheep production, regulations for selling products. Residents: pruning trees, land rental rates for ag production, soil testing, water testing, private forest management.

Working with 1 aspiring farmer, 2 beginning farmers along with 3 beginning farmers from prior months.

Staff Development:

BQA, Train the Trainer Update

EFNEP/Nutrition:

- Concentrating on getting information out to local agencies to let them know what EFNEP is, and how it could benefit their clients.
- I've been concentrating on local food pantries, churches and libraries. It is my intent to be in touch with different departments at the county office building to see if they have clients who might qualify for our program.

Horticulture/Master Gardener Program:

GROWING YOUR STRAWBERRIES AND RASPBERRIES Alfred Station, NY

April 1st - 13 participants

Program aimed to community in Allegany County interested in growing strawberries and raspberries. Topics: how to plant berries, the ideal soil, soil testing, tips, and recommendations.

CONTROLLING HOUSEPLANTS INSECTS Belmont, NY

April 8th - 8 participants

Program aimed to community in Allegany County, teaching about the common houseplant's pests, how to identify them, control methods and recommendations to prevent these pests in indoors plants.

GARDENING CLUB Rushford Free Library - Rushford, NY

April 13th - 14 participants

After school program aimed to children 2nd – 4th grades in Rushford, teaching how to grow plants, developing fun activities, and learning in the process. Program with recurrence the first Thursday of every month until October 2023.

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CULTIVANDO UNA HUERTA ABUNDANTE EN NYS Belmont, NY

April 26th - 3 participants

Online Class aimed to Hispanic community in Allegany County where attendees learned how to start an abundant garden, how to produce a lot of vegetables and fruits, easy and fast, tips and recommendations to start gardening as a way to fight inflation growing their own food.

ANNUAL WOODS WALK Andover, NY

April 29th - 6 participants

In person program, aimed to community in Allegany County, interactive activity with the attendees and the nature, observing Spring flowers, learning about native plants, how to protect them from wildlife and pests.

Planning for the Second Quarter of 2023 Programs:

- Be available by phone, email, or conference call and to assist with soil test samples, pest, and diseases identification, IPM and technical advice.
- Calls/emails accepted from farmers and residents, handled through email or text exchanges and in person appointment.
- **Family Gardening Adventures.** May 3rd, 2023. Rushford Free Library, Rushford, NY. 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm.
- **Annual Woods Walk: Second Date.** May 7th, 2023. Andover, NY. 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm.
- **Gardening Club 2023.** May 11th, 2023. Rushford Free Library, Rushford, NY. 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm.
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Staff Development:

Learn to write better at CCE Copy Club. April 19th. Online training.

Farm-to-School :

The PT Farm-to-School closed on 4/25. One candidate has been interviewed.

Administration:

Hiring SNAP Educator and Farm to School/Ag in the Classroom Educator, applying for youth development grants.

4-H and Youth Development:

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The 4-H Clothing Revue will take place at the Belmont Library on Friday May 12th at 6pm. Members have the opportunity to have fabric projects that they have created, evaluated by volunteer judges. This event is open to the public. Participants have the opportunity to advance to the regional event that will also be held in Belmont this June.

NYS Veterinarian, Shannon Carpenter will be presenting an informative clinic on May 8th at the Allegany County Fairgrounds. She will cover important updates and requirements for those interested in bringing animals to the fair this year.

Sunday May 7th the Hilltop Hooligan's 4-H Club will be hosting an Alpaca shearing clinic at the Filer Farm in Cuba. Participants will not only observe the shearing process, but they will also learn about raising and showing alpacas plus leasing opportunities for fair. New this year, there will be an alpaca agility demonstration held at the fair!

SNAP Ed/Nutrition:

Statewide:

SNAP-Ed NY is celebrating April as "Move More Month!" SNAP-Ed nutritionists from across NYS have produced new videos via Facebook and YouTube live. These videos can also be accessed by visiting our website at snapedny.org.

Local Programming:

- CCE Allegany is in the process of hiring a SNAP-Ed nutrition educator.
 - Applications accepted by 11:59pm EST on Monday, May 15, 2023 online only.
- Visit <http://allegany.cce.cornell.edu/jobs> for details and to apply. Contact Kimberly at wbnrecruiter@cornell.edu with questions.

Administrative:

- Quarter 2 data report for the period 1/1/2023-3/31/2023 was completed and sent to OTDA April 30, 2023.

MEMORANDUM OF EXPLANATION

For Authorization to Apply for Grant

Committee of Jurisdiction: Resource Management Date: May 17, 2023

Requesting a resolution authorizing a renewal of the services agreement with the Allegany County Federation of Snowmobilers, Inc. and the term of the agreement established as April 1, 2023 – March 31, 2024, to coincide with the 2023-2024 New York State Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation Snowmobile Trail Grant-In-Aid Program. Requesting the Chairman of the Board be authorized to execute the agreement.

Requesting a resolution authorizing applying for the 2023-2024 New York State Snowmobile Trail Grant-In-Aid Program offered by the New York State Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation in collaboration with the Allegany County Federation of Snowmobilers, Inc. The 2023-2024 grant application is due to NYS OPRHP by September 1, 2023. It is anticipated the funding award letter from NYS OPRHP will be received in November 2023.

Related Resolutions:

Agreement with the Allegany County Federation of Snowmobilers, Inc. - Res. 114-22
NYS Volunteer Stewardship Agreement (NYSDEC) Expires 12/16/2024 - Res. 114-22
2022-2023 Memorandum of Explanation to Apply for Funding - Res. 114-22
Support of the NYS Snowmobile Trail Development & Maintenance Fund - Res. 325-22
2022-2023 Memorandum of Explanation to Accept & Budget Funding – Res. 396-22

Explanation of grant application:

Allegany County serves as the program sponsor and the Allegany County Federation of Snowmobilers, Inc. serves as the local organization responsible for the trail maintenance activities. Grant funding is utilized by the Allegany County Federation of Snowmobilers, Inc., and their affiliate snowmobile club partners to properly groom and maintain local snowmobile trails, including purchasing necessary equipment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

\$120,000 is included in the 2023 budget (A 7185.3089.00)

Total COUNTY SHARE of grant: _____

Local county share: _____

State Grant? Revenue: A 7185.3089.00 \$ _____

This grant is renewal of existing grant funded program or a _____ new grant fund program.

Grant Fiscal Year: 2023-2024 Fiscal Cycle is April 1, 2023 – March 31, 2024.

Obligation of County after grant expires: There are no obligations.

Major benefits of applying for this grant are: Providing safe and well-maintained snowmobile trails in Allegany County for visitors and residents.

Department Contact: Carissa M. Knapp, County Administrator 585-268-9216

For Board Resolution on: June 14, 2023

Services Agreement Renewal with the Allegany County Federation of Snowmobilers, Inc.



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Memorandum

TO: Human Services Committee

FROM: Brenda Rigby Riehle, Clerk of the Board

DATE: May 1, 2023

RE: APPOINTMENT TO YOUTH BOARD

The Chairman of the Board plans to re-appoint the following as members of the Allegany County Youth Board for a three-year term commencing immediately and expiring March 25, 2026, subject to confirmation by the Board of Legislators;

Deborah Aumick, Rushford
Sherry Weirich, Scio

District I
District III

If the Committee approves of these appointments, please have a motion to that effect included in your minutes, along with a request to the County Attorney to prepare a resolution.

In addition, the Chairman should sign the attached pink appointment forms, where indicated, and return them to me.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.



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Memorandum

TO: Resource Management Committee

FROM: Brenda Rigby Riehle, Clerk of the Board

DATE: May 1, 2023

RE: APPOINTMENTS TO FISH & WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BOARD

The Chairman of the Board plans to appoint Darleen Krisher-Meehan of Andover, New York, as the Alternate Landowner Representative Member of the Region 9 Fish & Wildlife Management Board for a two-year term commencing immediately and expiring, December 31, 2024, subject to confirmation by the Board of Legislators.

If the Committee approves of this appointment, please have a motion to that effect included in your minutes, along with a request to the County Attorney to prepare a resolution.

In addition, the Chairman should sign the attached pink appointment form, where indicated, and return it to me.

Thank you.