

Lewis Creek Watershed Advisory Committee

06 June 2022

Agenda

Call to order & roll call

Mission and purpose of the Lewis Creek Watershed Advisory Committee (LCWAC), as resolved September 23, 2004.

Minutes of previous meetings

Proposed Agenda for this meeting:

1. ***Acknowledgement of and remarks by fellow citizens present***, and recent public interactions reported by LCWAC members – **All**.
2. **Special Guest: Jeff Johnston, Director of Public Works, City of Staunton**
3. **Ongoing monthly *E. Coli* testing of 12 sites throughout the Lewis Creek Watershed**, by City of Staunton, Department of Public Works – **All**.
4. ***Additional diagnostics testing* throughout the Lewis Creek Watershed** – **Jerry**
5. **Chesapeake Bay Foundation (CBF) – LCWAC Leadership 2022** – **Fred**
City of Staunton sponsorship, including bandanas! - Pete
"Clean the Bay Week" - Thurs, 02 Jun – Asylum Creek and Fri, 03 Jun – Lewis Creek
"Clean the Bay Day" - Sat, 4 Jun – Gum Springs Branch through Gypsy Hill Park

Local primary partners for 2022:

- JMU Valley Scholars of Staunton*** – primary volunteers on Thursday
 - Friends of the Middle River (FOMR)*** – assist on Thursday; primary volunteers on Friday (*and as one of several steps toward creating a "Friends of Lewis Creek"*)
 - Tiger Solar (formerly Altenergy)*** – assist on Friday
 - Skyline Rotary Club*** – primary volunteers on Saturday
 - Shenandoah Green*** – data scribing on Thursday, Friday, & Saturday
6. ***Friends of the Middle River benthic testing*** – *training & certification of LCWAC members, and as one of several steps toward creating a "Friends of Lewis Creek"* – **Jerry & Mary Jo**
 7. ***Staunton Flood Study*** – additional updates on ongoing actions by the City of Staunton and reporting to Staunton City Council – public awareness? – **Pete/All**
 8. ***Stream Naming Project***, for consistency across Lewis Creek Watershed – **Doug**
 9. ***Lewis Creek Watershed signage at Bessie Weller*** – LCWAC sign – cleaned by Jerry – maybe just needs moving to better location? / VDOF sign – probably needs replacing? / Possible combined relocation? – **All**
 10. **Discuss draft LCWAC Annual Report to Staunton City Council** – review and discuss first draft developed by Fred from committee inputs so far - **All**

Consideration of future agendas & guest speakers for upcoming meetings

Monday, 11 July 2022 – Adam Schellhammer, new Exec for Valley Conservation Council
LCWAC meeting adjournment.

Primary resources for continuing reference by LCWAC:

Decision Rationale of Total Maximum Daily Loads for Aquatic Life Use Impairment on Lewis Creek in Augusta County, Virginia, as published by US EPA, Water Protection Division on 02 August 2006 (9 pages)

Consideration of UVA Green Infrastructure Strategies for Staunton, VA, as published December 11, 2009 (Water Resources Policies & Strategies, pages 91-116)

Consideration of UVA Lewis Creek Subwatershed – Stormwater Management Site Analysis & Masterplan, as published 2011 (46 pages)

PCB Total Maximum Daily Load Development for Lewis Creek, Staunton, Virginia, as prepared by Department of Biological Systems Engineering, Virginia Tech & Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, and as submitted by Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, ***Draft Report*** published June 2021 (80 pages, plus Appendices)