

**DEP NORTHCENTRAL REGIONAL CITIZENS ROUNDTABLE  
MEETING OF APRIL 15, 2013  
SUMMARY OF MEETING MINUTES**

Chairperson Megan Lehman called the meeting to order at about 7:10 p.m. and had everyone present introduce themselves.

The Feb. 11, 2013 meeting minutes were unanimously approved with one correction regarding mileage reimbursement, on a motion by Norm Lathbury, seconded by Curt Reed.

Dan Spadoni told the members that mileage reimbursement remained at 56.5 cents per mile and said the DEP regional business manager has contacted those who did not yet receive reimbursement for past meetings. Spadoni encouraged members to contact him via email if similar problems arise in the future.

Spadoni mentioned that April 22 is the 43<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of Earth Day and said he distributed a fact sheet about its history to all the members.

Spadoni told the members that Mike Krancer resigned as DEP secretary, effective the end of the day on April 12. Gov. Corbett has named E. Christopher Abruzzo as acting secretary. Abruzzo is one of the Governor's deputy chiefs of staff and has been the DEP liaison to the Governor's office since the beginning of the Corbett administration. Spadoni added that he doesn't know when a new secretary will be named.

Lehman then introduced Josh Lookenbill, DEP's Susquehanna River coordinator, to discuss DEP's 2013 Susquehanna River sampling plan and smallmouth bass investigation.

Lookenbill presented a detailed PowerPoint that explained 2012 water quality monitoring locations and continuous in-stream data evaluation. He also presented DEP's 2013 Susquehanna River sampling plan.

There was a question-and-answer session with the roundtable members at the conclusion of his PowerPoint.

Spadoni told the members the July 15 meeting would be the annual group dinner and field trip meeting. He mentioned some of the past field trips that members had taken and asked for suggestions for this year's trip.

Lehman suggested the Sherman beef cattle farm to see agricultural Best Management Practices in Clinton Township, Lycoming County, or a flood plain restoration project near the White Deer golf course.

Kevin McJunkin suggested AMD remediation projects done by the Babb Creek Watershed Association in Tioga County.

Lehman mentioned the conservation learning trail near the county conservation district office outside Montoursville.

Amy Wolfe suggested the Hollywood AMD treatment plant in Clearfield County.

Spadoni said he would solicit additional suggestions from all the members via email and compile a list for the steering committee and chairperson to review and then make a decision.

Lehman mentioned the informative nature of daily environmental news clips posted on DEP's web page and wondered if people could sign up to receive them. Spadoni said he would check and let the roundtable members know if this is possible.

The meeting was adjourned at about 8:40 p.m., on a motion by McJunkin, seconded by Katie Ombalski.