



**Natural Resources and Groundwater Committee (NRGC) Meeting
Tuesday, January 7, 2025
5:00 PM**

**Note: The January 7, 2025 NRGC meeting will be held both remotely and in-person at City Hall. Instructions for participating in the meeting remotely are provided below.
Instructions for Participating in the Meeting Remotely Via Zoom**

Options for Joining the Zoom Meeting:

RECOMMENDED: Use your computer, tablet or smart phone to join the meeting by logging on to:

- <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84315229443?pwd=VJhSBMHq3IZIS7GqBea1111L1ZK9PW.1>
 - Meeting ID: (843 1522 9443)
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Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Roll call: David Husebye, Susan Loomis, Kim Myhers, Elissa Thompson, Cody Kaye, Petra Brokken, Scott Hafner and Sven Risom
3. Approval of Agenda for January 7, 2025 meeting and additional agenda items proposed by members.
4. Election of Officers for 2025
5. Approval of Minutes of the December 3, 2024 meeting.
6. Old Business
 - i) Belwin conversations on deer count and issues, prescribed burn initiative and collaboration opportunities regarding natural resources
 - ii) Well testing for nitrates and coliforms
 - 1) Plans for 2025
 - 2) Possible PFAS or other testing to be added
 - iii) PFAS educational forum for Spring 2025
 - 1) Identification of specific topics to be addressed
 - iv) NRI/Greenway Corridor

v) Grant for native vegetation restoration project on City property west of City Hall

vi) NRG items for Afton's monthly newsletter

- 1) Dark sky initiative – Petra for winter
- 2) Invasive species, resources, inspectors -- future
- 3) Buckthorn removal and post removal re-vegetation for spring
- 4) Grants for planting – for spring
- 5) Prescribed burns – future

vii) Invasive Species Topic – group

- 1) Invasive plant database
- 2) Collaboration with Washington Conservation District and Washington County
- 3) Noxious weed inspector => future article

viii) NRG Management Organization update

- 1) Washington Conservation District – Elissa
- 2) South Washington County Watershed District – Kim
- 3) Middle St. Croix Water Management Organization – Susan
- 4) Valley Branch Watershed District – Scott
- 5) Washington County Water Consortium – Dave
- 6) Belwin - Sven

ix) Update on CC and PC Business

x) Additional agenda items proposed by members

7. New Business

- i) Discuss natural resource awareness opportunities for Afton – Sven

8. Next Meeting Date: February 4, 2025 at 5:00 PM

9. Adjourn