

NEBPP MEETING MINUTES

December 1, 2020



ROLL CALL

Attendee	Organization
Asim Zaman	NJ DOT
Benjamin Foster	Maine DOT
Chris Keegan	TSP2
Darlene Lane	TSP2
Dick Dunne	Greenman Pederson Inc.
Ed Liberati	
Ed Welch	TSP2
Gerald Oliveto	New Jersey DOT
Greg Heilman	Jet Filter Systems
Jennifer Hawkins	New York DOT
Jeremy Salvatori	Vermont DOT
Joe Prescott	
John Hooks	TSP2
Lorella Angelini	
Matthew Kelison	Phoscrete
Maurice Agostino	Maryland DOT
Mike Storia	
Pat Martens	
Paul Schwartz	
Raj Ailaney	Federal Highway Administration
Rich Van Allen	Trans Systems
Richard Huza	
Rod Thornton	Maryland DOT
Scott Syder	Pennsylvania DOT
Seth Burgess	Connecticut DOT
Tim Boodey	New Hampshire DOT
Tim Woolery	
Tripp Shenton	University of Delaware

PREVIOUS TELECONFERENCE MINUTES

- Motion for September meeting minutes approved.

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2021 REGIONAL MEETINGS AND 2020 LIVE VIRTUAL EVENTS

- 6 meetings have been held.
- Two remaining sessions- December 3rd steel repairs December 10th Deck Preservation using sealing
- Survey indicates unlikely that DOTs will be able to travel in 2021. Spring meetings already being rescheduled. Recommend proceeding with planning for fall 2021 for meeting.
- Times and locations for other 2021 Regional meetings have been finalized. Save the date flyers will be sent out once contracts are signed.

JET FILTER (John Bruinsma - Michigan DOT, Greg Heilman - Jet Filter Systems)

- Maintainable weep hole filters for concrete box culverts. Michigan DOT had issues with a number of these structures constructed in the 1990's. Water leaking out through cracks in culvert walls and loss of backfill through weep holes.
- New weep holes are installed by coring through wall.
- Weep holes were monitored for a month to observe flow rates. Increased flow rates initially confirmed reduction of hydrostatic pressure behind wall.
- Filter cartridge is easy to replace and can be done as part of inspection.
- University of Maryland involved in research.
- Part of innovative technology working group.
- Additional information available at <https://jetfiltersystem.com/>

LOCAL AGENCY BRIDGES (Ben Foster)

- (BPETG) Bridge Preservation Expert Task Group tasked with looking at local agencies in northeast. Survey sent out to states to gather best practices to share. Received 170 responses to date.
- Will be doing case studies. Candidate list includes New York City, Frederick County-MD, Harford County-MD, Carlisle-PA, Somerset, NJ, Ulster-NY. Would like for NEBPP to pare down this list.
- Provide questions to use in case study, suggestions by December 15th. Group will conduct a 30-minute interview with the county.

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LOCAL AGENCY/BRIDGE PRESERVATION FUNDING TASK GROUP

- Brief survey on funding sources for bridge preservation sent to local agencies in late August. To date, 515 responses

TREASURY

- Current Balance – No change (Last update \$75,819.09)
- Volunteer Contributions – 25 out 50 states have made contributions as of 12/1. All states should check web site to see if they have made their contribution.

WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT

- Starting to look at redesigning web site to make information easier to find.

WORKING GROUP REPORT OUTS

- Working groups focused on presentations.

RESEARCH:

- Dick Dunne indicated Rutgers willing to work with partnership on priority research topics.

FUTURE MEETING TOPICS

- Engineering Ethics Class for PE licensure requirements.
- Results of survey for Load Rating Bridges Without Plans.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING & ADJOURN:

- Next planning call scheduled for **February 1, 2021 at 2:00 PM**
- Next monthly conference call meeting scheduled for **January 5, 2021 at 10:00AM**