

Village of Nelsonville
Groundwater Protection Committee

Meeting Minutes
January 28, 2019 6:30pm | Nelsonville Village Hall

Members present: Rubina Martini, Caitlin Brillowski, Tarion O'Carroll

Community members present: Tor Anderson

Approve minutes from last meeting

Update from county testing program: results from source tests should be in by the end of March

Update from WPDES permit: A hydrologist is now reviewing the permit

Organizing and sharing well data for community: We will look into getting all of our data available for the public so that it is easily shared to the village board, outside experts, and other members of the public who would be interested.

For next meeting's agenda: Create an incentive for village members to test their water

Mediator: Jen McNelly from Portage County suggested that this committee seek a mediator to help facilitate our conversations. We also see the benefit of a mediator and will be in contact with one to see if it's something we would like to utilize.

Where do we go from here?

-Identify the problem: 47% of wells in Nelsonville have nitrates that exceed 10mg/L

-Find common goals: Continue to monitor village wells. See a noticeable, overall decline of nitrates in the village wells. Seek advice from all our available resources. Find a reliable source of potable water for all village residents.

-Create solutions: Focus on what we can do in the recharge zone. Seek advice from experts

Next meeting: February 25, 2019 at 6:30 pm at the Village Hall.