

Des Plaines River Watershed Workgroup

Executive Board

2/18/2016

11:00 AM-12:30 PM

Lake County Central Permit Facility, 500 Winchester Road, Libertyville IL 60048

Meeting Minutes

- 1. Call the meeting to order: Peter Kolb called the meeting to order at 11:09.
- 2. Approve Agenda. Peter suggested amending the agenda to discuss the five-year work plan. The motion was made by Paul, seconded by Brian. The motion passed unanimously.
- Previous Meeting minutes. Michael Talbett made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 6thth Executive Board meeting, Paul seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Public Comment: none.
- 5. Action Item: Approve 2016 Budget. Michael made the motion to approve the FY 2016 budget; Joe seconded the motion. The budget has changed from the annual meeting. Mike Warner adjusted the dues and membership to more closely match what we have received in 2015. We actually received \$230,000. The estimate of future dues is still conservative. The previous budget did not reflect the full Suburban Labs' scope of work. An addition of \$3,000 is needed for data formatting. Their contract also needs to be extended through June 2016 for them to complete their scope of work.

Peter asked that the fiscal year be labeled on the budget. Brian noticed that the June 2016 SL line item was off by \$8,000. It will be changed to \$30,252 and the total in that column changed. The FY2015 adopted budget shows some actual contract numbers instead of the projected numbers. The motion passed unanimously.

- 6. Action Item: Approve Suburban Labs Amendment. A motion to approve the SL contract amendment made by Brian and seconded by Joe. Mike Warner explained that \$3,000 needs to be added to the contract. The Excel spreadsheet that is part of their deliverable was not in the format accepted by Illinois EPA grant. Additionally, the contract needs to be extended through the end of June 2016 because they got started late. The motion passed unanimously.
- 7. Discussion Item: Water Quality/Nutrient Trading Future Work Plan Suggestion. Don Hey spoke about developing a nutrient trading program. There was discussion about incorporating this into our 5 year workplan. Don said we need to codify the construction and operation procedures that we are going to use to take contaminants out of the water. We propose n, p, and carbon mostly from air emissions, suspended solids, dissolved solids, pharmaceuticals, and mercury. We need to form a series of organizations to develop enough water quality credits wetlands large enough to take out the contaminants in a cost effective way. Incorporate

wetland mitigation banking and flood control. Need a feasibility study to further understand and document costs of construction, operation, marketing, etc. Treatment wetlands need to be monitored. Monitor what is coming in and what is going out. Great Lakes Water Quality Commission. Peter said that we have no money in the DRWW budget for projects. Our objective is to identify projects for others to implement. Brian asked who would be the owner of the wetlands. Michael mentioned the Forest Preserve District. Don said he is working with a family that owns agricultural land.

8. Work plan:

Items to include: complete the watershed based plan, complete 2-year data collection monitoring, develop a reduced monitoring plan, provide annual POTW upstream downstream monitoring report, Nutrient Implementation Plan, list permit dates, compliment POTWs nutrient reduction plan with watershed wide nutrient reduction plan. Also include chloride reduction strategy: monitoring – how many samples, when and how much can cost and reduction. Peter stated that a bullet point list with approximate dates would be sufficient.

- 9. Next Executive Board Meeting March 17th 1:00PM at CPF. Monitoring Committee at 9:30.
- 10. Adjourn: Scott made a motion to adjourn. Paul seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn was approved unanimously.

Executive Board Members Present:

Peter Kolb, Lake County Public Works

Brian Dorn, NSWRD

Michael Talbett, Kildeer

Paul Kendzoir, Libertyville

Scott Pippen, Lincolnshire

Joe Robinson, NSWRD

Mike Adam, Lake County Health Department

Other Attendees:

Andrea Cline, Geosyntec

Rob Flood, NSWRD

Al Giertych, Lake County Department of Transportation

Don Hey, Wetlands Research Inc.

Austin McFarlane, Lake County Public Works

Paul Kendzior, Libertyville

Sharon Osterby, Lake County Stormwater Management Commission Kathy Paap, Wetlands Research Inc. Steve Vella, Libertyville Mike Warner, Lake County SMC Patty Werner, Lake County SMC

Mark Willobee, Geosyntec