



Des Plaines River Watershed Workgroup

Executive Board

10/20/2016

2:30 PM-3:30 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 2:30 pm.
2. Approve Agenda: Brian Dorn made a motion to approve the agenda. Michael Talbett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Previous Meeting minutes: Michael Talbett made a motion to approve the minutes. Paul Kendzior seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Public Comment: None.
5. Financial Summary Report. Mike Warner presented the financial report. Carry overs were included. The fiscal year is December 1-November 30, changed from what it was previously. Carry overs cannot be done until the budget is approved. Also, the period for which the financial report is for has been clarified.
6. Discussion Item – How can POTW’s contribute financially to Watershed Projects? What is the mechanism? Andrea Cline offered that she is aware that some of the DRSCW (Du Page River Salt Creek Watershed Workgroup) POTWs were allowed to put language into their permit that they will pay a certain amount of money to implement watershed projects to help reduce WQ levels in the river/stream instead of the limit level being reduced.
7. Discussion Item – Water Quality Trading (WQT): Don Hey met with IEPA about a proposal he has for WQ Trading. A meeting to hear more about Don’s proposal is set for 10/28/16 at 9:00 am. Joe Robinson reported he is aware of one pilot WQT program going on in WI: the Green Bay Metro Sewage District is paying a farmer \$40K to remove 4,000lbs/yr of Phosphorus (?) by using cover crops and conservation tillage. Other groups involved with WQT projects are the Great Lakes Compact and NRCS.
8. Discussion Item – IAWA will be meeting in November at Starved Rock. Libertyville is a member.
9. Discussion Item – Membership Dues/By-Laws: Joe Robinson mentioned that the DRSCW requires all their contractors to be members and townships too. Mike Warner suggested the DRWW raise the base membership amount from \$200 to \$500 just to help cover admin costs, and suggested that all MS4 members should pay the \$500. By-Laws need to be modified to make the election process onto the Executive Board less cumbersome. **ACTION ITEM: Draft modifications to the dues/by-laws for approval at the Annual Meeting in February.** (Beth Adler will take lead on this)
10. Discussion Item – Monitoring Program Updates: Andrea Cline gave an update on the monitoring that has been completed to date, including the flow monitoring and bioassessment programs. The flow monitoring is to start in approximately two weeks with the installation of 15 data

loggers; data will be collected at 21 locations. Mike Adam will follow up with Brian O'Neill regarding extending the data collection season for flow monitoring. Mike Warner will take Andrea's presentation from today and use that for his basis to present to the Public Works and Transportation Board on Wed, Nov. 2, 2016.

11. Discussion Item – 2016 DRWW Accomplishments Report – November GM Meeting for Annual Mtg in Feb (Beth Adler will prepare a first draft)

12. Action Item: Review Panel Selection – Technical Coordinator Contract Discussion and Approval

13. New/Other Business – Jim Anderson suggested we invite the NRCS or the Farm Bureau to join the DRWW. The Lake-McHenry Soil Water Conservation District was mentioned. Farming practices need to be improved to help water quality. It was suggested to bring in someone from the Farm Bureau to speak at the February Annual Meeting.

14. Next Meeting (General Membership Meeting – November 17th at Lake County Public Works Training Facility)

15. Executive Session - None

16. Adjourn: Mike Adam made a motion to adjourn. Joe Robinson seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn was approved unanimously.

Executive Board Members Present:

Peter Kolb, Lake County Public Works

Brian Dorn, NSWRD

Al Giertych, LCDOT

Michael Talbett, Kildeer

Paul Kendzior, Libertyville

Scott Phippen, Lincolnshire

Joe Robinson, NSWRD

Mike Adam, Lake County Health Department

Jim Anderson, Lake County Forest Preserve District

Other Attendees:

Beth Adler

Andrea Cline, Geosyntec

Mike Warner, Lake County SMC

Patty Werner, Lake County SMC