



## **Des Plaines River Watershed Workgroup**

### **Executive Board**

**4/20/2017**

**2:30 PM-4:00 PM**

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

### **Meeting Minutes**

1. Call the meeting to order: Brian Dorn called the meeting to order at 2:45 pm.
2. Roll Call – see attendee list below.
3. Previous Meeting minutes (3/16/17): Brian Dorn requested that the DRWW officer's titles be added to the meeting minutes.
4. Public Comment: None.
5. Watershed Plan Update – Patty Werner reminded the group that she is retiring end of June, 2017. She initiated a discussion about merging the 2 subwatershed groups she has been working with (Bulls Creek/Bulls Brook and Buffalo Creek). These groups mostly do education and outreach and collaboration and coordination with stakeholders. They also have installed projects with 319 grant money. It was not clear if they would pay membership dues if they were merged with DRWW – right now they do not pay membership dues and some of them may not be able to afford membership. LCSMC is not sure if it will continue to support these 2 groups after Patty retires. Buffalo Grove will be getting 319 grant money this summer. Mike T stated that what these subwatershed groups are doing is not aligned with what the DRWW is doing. He does not think they would be interested in attending DRWW meetings nor participating in our process. It was suggested that the decision of whether or not to join or merge be left to the subwatershed groups. They are welcome to attend any DRWW meetings.
6. Financial Report – Beth presented the financial report that Mike Warner prepared. A column was added to the table to show the date invoices were paid. There were 4 invoices that had been paid by LCSMC since the last meeting. Paul Kendzior made a motion to approve payment of the 4 invoices, Al Giertych seconded. Motion carried by voice vote. Joe R suggested that the \$27,000 budgeted in 2019 for data modeling be moved into 2018. There was a discussion about how there is a carryover of \$50,000, that is all the budget we have to do anything but monitoring. We could increase our budget by: raising dues, adding more members, merging our efforts with DRSCW. There was a comment that the DRSCW dues cover admin and monitoring only. There was a suggestion to cut flow monitoring from the budget after 2017. Chris Yoder (MBI) has said he thinks our biggest stressor will be habitat.
7. Suburban Labs (SL) Contract
8. DRWW/DRSCW Meeting – Patty Werner's notes from the meeting are in the packet. Beth was asked to re-format her notes into meeting minutes to be approved at the next Executive Board meeting.

9. Next General Membership Meetings (May/Aug/Nov) – there was some discussion on what to cover at November’s General Membership meeting. Nutrient Trading was discussed. Brian D. said he had some papers regarding nutrient trading and a bill MWRD has introduced to the State of IL, he would find them and email them to the Executive Board.
10. DRWW Membership Dues Invoices – Will be mailed out next week.
11. DRWW Draft Work Plan – Beth did not receive any comments from the Executive Board. Brian suggested we table it for this month, but to let the general membership we are still accepting their comments on it. Put this item on the agenda for June.
12. NIP - Austin M. wanted to know what the schedule is to complete the NIP as he has a special permit condition requiring it to be done by 2019. There was some discussion and it was agreed that the DRWW would file an extension on behalf of our members for 10-15 years.
13. Monitoring Committee Update – Joe R gave the update. The Suburban Labs (SL) contract extension is being drafted, he is removing analysis of VOC’s from sediment, adding 1 Tier 4 Site above Don Hey’s riffle structure and moving the Seavey Ditch location South to accommodate Wetlands Research Inc’s request. The contract extension will align with SMC’s fiscal year so only 4 sampling events will occur under it. DRWW will be asking SL to credit us for the cost of metals analysis that had detection levels higher than was specified in our QAPP.
14. Lakes Committee Update – Mike Adam reported that the committee will be meeting next week.
15. Old Business – What LOE for the GIS to run the IPS model? It was agreed Beth would ask Jeff Laramie to find out from Chris Yoder what is needed.
16. Other Business
17. Next Executive Board Meeting June 20, 2017
18. Adjourn – Leslie Burns made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Joe Robinson seconded. The meeting ended at 4:40 PM

**Executive Board Members Present:**

Brian Dorn, DRWW President, NSWRD

Al Giertych, DRWW Vice President, Lake County DOT

Paul Kendzior, DRWW Secretary, Village of Libertyville

Michael Talbett, DRWW Treasurer, Kildeer

Joe Robinson, DRWW Monitoring/WQ Improvements Committee Chair, NSWRD

Leslie Burns for Jim Anderson, DRWW Member at Large, Lake County Forest Preserve District

Mike Adam, DRWW Lakes Committee Chair, LCHD

Peter Kolb, DRWW Ex-Officio (Past President), Applied Technologies

**Other Attendees:**

Beth Adler, DRWW Technical Coordinator

Austin McFarlane, Lake County Public Works