

## **Des Plaines River Watershed Workgroup**

**Executive Board** 

9/28/2017

11:00 AM-Noon

# Lake County DOT Conference Room, 600 Winchester Road, Libertyville IL 60048

## **Meeting Minutes**

- 1. Call the meeting to order: Brian Dorn called the meeting to order at 11:05 am.
- 2. Roll Call see attendee list below.
- 3. Approve Previous Meeting minutes 8/17/17 Paul Kendzior made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Joe Robinson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Public Comment None
- 5. Financial Report Mike Warner went over the financial report handout. Membership dues for 2017 are about \$10,000 more than last year with the addition of 4 new members and all previous members renewing for 2017. MBI has indicated they have approx. \$14,500 extra from their contract that ends in 2017 for baseline data collection. If there aren't a lot of changes to be made to the draft report, they are estimating it will cost \$1,000 to finalize the report. There was also \$3,600 that was in the contract with Burns & McDonnell for contingent work which was never requested to be completed, so that money is available. Michael Talbett made a motion to ratify invoices that were paid since the last Executive Board meeting and presented in a table attached to the financial report. Mike Adam seconded. Motion was passed by a roll call vote, 6-0.
- 6. Monitoring/WQ Improvements Committee Update Joe Robinson led the update. Joe said that MBI did a really good job reporting our baseline data in their draft report and that some Committee members need more time to review the report. Siltation and Chlorides were identified in the report as the 2 biggest stressors. Comments should be going out to MBI by Oct. 9. The Committee may go over the comments with Chris Yoder (MBI) and the next Committee meeting. Jim Anderson noted that the report did not identify agriculture as a potential source of siltation. Joe said we will use the report to figure out what we can do about chlorides and siltation. Beth will prepare a 1 page fact sheet or summary of the report with SMC's graphic designer. Joe reported that the Committee will try to cut back on the monitoring we are doing; 70 sites 7X/year streamline that program and moving forward focus monitoring on our priorities. Jim Anderson asked if we had done any sediment loads? This was not done. Jim said we would have had a better idea of where the sediment is coming from if we had done loads.
- Lakes Committee Update Mike Adam gave the update. The next meeting will be the last Thursday in Oct. The Lakes Committee will look at both the MBI and Flow Monitoring Reports at that meeting and come back with some recommendations for the Executive Board.
- 8. November General Membership Meeting Beth reported that the Watershed Plan folks wanted to do a joint meeting with the DRWW in November. The Watershed Plan part of the meeting

would be "Watershed Plan Implementation Recommendations" which will be presented by their contractor, Northwater. There was some discussion and then agreement that a joint meeting would be fine. DRWW will need 20 minutes to conduct business at the November meeting to present the summary of the MBI report and some discussion about chlorides, maybe a chlorides policy. Jim Anderson shared that CMAP is working on their ON TO 2050 plan, with a section of it covering stormwater management. In April they should have a draft plan out. He suggested we consider inviting CMAP to present at our February General Membership Meeting.

- 9. Old Business None
- 10. Other Business Michael Talbett shared that he attended a Municipal League seminar with the director of the IEPA. He said IEPA is aware of our group and they are happy that we are working with DRSCW. IEPA's budget keeps getting smaller, fewer inspectors, fewer enforcement actions, permitting will take longer. Because of this they are being more flexible with the rules compliance through talking. The Nutrient Loss Reduction goal of 25% Nitrogen and Phosphorus by 2025 MWRD is going to launch a trading program to help make that goal. Michael also heard that the tax exemption for municipal bonds may be taken away, he was told to lobby to keep the tax exemption.
- 11. Next Executive Board Meeting Oct. 19, 2017 at the LCSMC Large Conference Room.
- 12. Adjourn Jim Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Joe Robinson seconded. The meeting ended at 12:10 PM

## **Executive Board Members Present:**

Brain Dorn, DRWW President, NSWRD

Michael Talbett, DRWW Treasurer, Village of Kildeer

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

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

Mike Adam, DRWW Lakes Committee Chair, LCHD

Paul Kendzior, DRWW Secretary, Libertyville Public Works Dept.

# **Other Attendees:**

Beth Adler, DRWW Technical Coordinator

Mike Warner, Lake County Stormwater Management Commission

Tom Morthorst, Third Lake