

Monitoring/Water Quality Improvements Committee Minutes

07/20/2023 12:30 p.m.
Lake County Division of Transportation
600 W. Winchester Rd.
Libertyville IL 60048

1. Call to Order

Chair Waters called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Members present: Steve Waters, Alana Bartolai, Austin McFarlane, Nick Huber, Brian Kuebker, Heilemann (arrived at 12:43), James Bland

Members absent:

Others present: Mike Prusila, Ashley Strelcheck, Rishab Mahajan, Sharene Gould Dulabaum, Chris Johnson, Tom Morthost, Anna Niedzinski, Paul Kendzior, Chuck Bodden, Chris Johnson

3. Public Comment

None

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes

a. 6/15/23 Monitoring/Water Quality Improvements Committee Meeting Minutes

Motion by Huber, seconded by Kuebker to approve the 6/15/23 Monitoring/Water Quality Improvements Committee Meeting Minutes.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

Motion carried 7-0

5. Old Business

a. Monitoring Updates

- NSWRD Updates (Waters), final invoice has been submitted. MBI request for POTW data has been responded to, thanks to all.
- ii. LCHD Updates June data passed QAQC, July sampling just finished, only 2 dry sites. This year's sampling as gone smoothly so far.

b. Geosyntec NARP Updates

Rishab Mahajan – Geosyntec working on implementation plan component of NARP. 2 request for data coming to DRWW: 1) community members that are planning nonpoint projects (conceptual, design, or shovel-ready). Will be a survey link that can be sent to members. 2) update on where WWTPs are in

terms of achieving 0.5 mg/L target for Phosphorus in effluent. Geosyntec will put together a spreadsheet with questions, the administrators will share with DRWW members.

Will try to get both requests out within the next month or so? Geosyntec will demonstrate the survey at next month's General Membership meeting.

Jim Bland noted that Dr. Lampert will have his comments in by July 30th.

Members noted that the potential re-aeration at the IL-WI border should not be included as a project that commits DRWW or its members to a specific permit condition related to its implementation.

What would adding the SEWRPC land use entail? There would be a bit of work involved, but it would not likely change the model outcome much

Will the TMDL from Wisconsin for the Des Plaines be part of the implementation schedule? It will be mentioned in the implementation plan, but also acknowledged that DRWW cannot be responsible for that.

6. New Business

a. Illinois EPA Water Quality Standards Triennial Review

Is there a possibility of asking IL EPA for an extension on the comment period?

Bodden – triennial review occurs every 3 years. There are currently 16 topics/standards that are up for evaluation. IL EPA is trying to prioritize 3 topics to work on over the next 3 years. There is an online survey for the public to go on and prioritize as they see fit. IL EPA considers the public input, IL EPA priorities, and USEPA priorities. There has not been much detail given on the 16 topics.

Share link with entire workgroup so that each member can complete the survey and include a note to encourage the workgroup members to request a time extension for comments.

7. Member Comments

Tom Morthorst – detour on Winchester?

- 8. Next Meeting(s)
 - a. General Membership Meeting August 17, 2023 (Lake County Public Works Training Room)
 - b. Monitoring/Water Quality Improvements Committee Meeting September 21, 2023 (LCDOT Conference Room)

9. Adjournment

Motion by Rosemary, seconded by Brian to adjourn the meeting. All Ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 1:29 p.m.