

Stormwater Steering Committee Minutes
12-09-03

Present: Rich Axler, Tim Holst, Erik Larson, Marnie Lonsdale, Candice Richards, Dave Schimpf, and recorder Cheryl Anderson.

Absent: Tim Bates, Tom Beery, Bev Ecklund, Cindy Hagley, Mahjoub Labyad, Jesse Shaumberg, and John Weiske.

Guest: Zandi Zweibel

Introductions were made.

Minutes from 10-14 and 12-09 will be approved at the Jan 30, 2004 meeting.

Group viewed and discussed map found in Geography Dept. from former Duluth City Forester Ray Carson. Map will be stored in the 241 DAdB FM office and is available if needed for other uses.

Candice requested all members document time spent on Stormwater for submission with the annual report.

The pollution control subcommittee has been focusing on litter control. Student involvement has been good and group is ahead of where they committed to be prior to filing the annual report.

The illicit discharge subcommittee has completed their assignments for the current year with the exception of some reviews, and has not met as a group since the last meeting. Staff is proceeding with Glensheen storm water map instead of the wetland map and on other requirements.

Greg Archer is coming to UMD to train Facilities Management project managers about erosion and sediment control on construction projects.

Stormwater bookmarks have been distributed at the annual neighborhood meeting, in some classes, and in a presentation to the Physical Facilities Committee as part of the Education/Outreach BMP.

The Regional Stormwater Protection Team (RSPT) met and chose a new logo from among contest submissions. Logo winners will be announced to the public in January. RSPT sub-committees are researching various media outlets for publicity. There are no booths left at the Home Show, but the RSPT is on the waiting list for a booth and can, at least, occupy part of the City's booth. Other RSPT activity includes submission of two additional grants, one each for program evaluation tools and a watershed festival.

Erik Larson asked if UMD Stormwater group should have it's own logo, particularly for signage purposes, which would be specifically for on-campus use. Erik will research using the UMD "lake" logo and group will re-visit discussion at the next meeting.

Erik also discussed a playground/grant idea he had seen in the Fargo area that could be used for stormwater education/outreach. Group comments were positive. The project

was discussed as a way of potentially using the Miller Hill Mall as a venue for stormwater initiatives.

Ground water elevation monitoring wells will be installed for the proposed large retention facility for Field 4. The Lot G retention area was designed to drain surface water from 1.2 acres with 32,000 gallons of dead storage and an additional 32,000 gallons available for live storage (bounce). Group will discuss water testing in the spring.

Marnie Lonsdale is looking at ways to address to spring Stormwater issues and possible opportunities for cooperation on yard waste pickup and district-wide composting.

The UMD Stormwater Steering Committee will end it's first year with an official meeting to invite review and comment on the UMD SWPPP. The "brown bag" meeting will be held in the Garden Room from noon-1pm on Tuesday, January 27, 2004. The meeting notice will be published in the December 11th edition of the Statesman, which will satisfy the requirement for 30 days previous notice. The City's first annual review meeting will be held on the same day, with the time yet to be determined, and will include several area Stormwater groups.

The next UMD Stormwater Steering Committee Meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 30, 2004 in the Regent's Room (DAdB 500) from 9-10 am.