

# Hinkson Creek Watershed Project Stakeholder Committee

810 E Walnut (Commission Chambers) Columbia, MO.

## MINUTES

4:00 P.M.

Tuesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009

**Attendees:** Ken Midkiff, Steve Pagan, Stephanie Smith, Anne Peery, Tom Wellman, John Schultz, Ben Londeree, Mariel Stephenson, Samuel McKee, Scott Hamilton, Bill Florea

### Introductions and Minutes

The meeting was called to order shortly after 6:00. We had a number of new people that were unable to attend the first meeting, so brief introductions were made. Scott briefly summarized the minutes from the last meeting. One point of clarification was that the TMDL will in fact have some regulatory impact upon the city, county, and university stormwater permit.

### Organizational Items

The committee was curious about the process by which the watershed plan was written for the Bonne Femme watershed. Ben Londeree related that they spent a year learning about the issues, because they did not work from a template like the Hinkson plan. The expectation was that the document would guide development (not preclude development). Forty-one recommendations were made, and the idea was to revise the plan every 5 years, though it is doubtful this will be done unless there is funding for the effort, Bill Florea said. During the time the plan was written, the City passed their stormwater and buffer ordinances, and the County is in the process. Scott mentioned that the Bonne Femme plan was a different format because it was written to be a protective document, while the Hinkson is a restoration effort, which requires the "9 elements" format. The committee will be provided with copies of the Bonne Femme plan at the next meeting.

Ben Londeree was elected co-chair for the group. Since business interests were not present at the meeting, it was decided to postpone the election of a second co-chair.

Ken Midkiff brought up the issue of a significant section of the Hinkson being listed as impaired due to bacteria by the EPA. Anne Peery said that the EPA lists entire segments of streams, rather than the area of known contamination. A discussion followed as to whether to address the bacteria in the watershed plan. The committee voted to address the added contaminant in the revisions of the plan.

### Revisions

Ann had added a goal of "providing a roadmap for growth", but the committee voted not to add the goal, because it is beyond the scope of what this plan can address. Ken questioned the validity of some of the projections of economic and population growth, given the recent economic situation. John Schultz said that we need to focus our attention on the important portions of the plan, otherwise we will waste a lot of time on minor details. Scott agreed to check with City planners to incorporate the newest information in the document, and put that data in tabular format. Since time was running short, we decided to review Chapter 1 and Chapter 2 at the next meeting.

### Schedule and Format

The committee voted to meet every 3 weeks, generally on Tuesdays from 4:00-6:00. We will meet next time at the Boone County Commission Chambers on Feb 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:00-6:00, Shakespeare's pizza will be provided. The homework is to review Chapter 1 and 2 of the plan, and send e-mail comments to Scott prior to the next meeting. Scott will work on providing separate e-mails for stakeholders to use. Meeting was adjourned at 6:00.