

HINKSON CREEK WATERSHED RESTORATION PROJECT

BOONE COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, ROOM 220

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Minutes

4:00 P.M.

Tuesday, November 17, 2009

Present:

Ben Londeree
Anne Peery
Claire Baffaut
Stephanie Smith

Todd Houts
Lexi Clouse
Samuel McKee
Ken Midkiff

Bill Florea
Nicki Fuemmeler
Tom Wellman

The meeting was called to order at approximately 4:00 p.m.

Minutes from the October 6, 2009 meeting were approved.

Mr. Florea introduced new member Lexi Clouse representing the Chamber of Commerce.

DISCUSSION

The group discussed volume control in regard to the TMDL. Mr. Londeree interpreted from the TMDL that there has to be a reduction in volume and stated that there is a website where a summary of information is soon to come. The group discussed trenching as a possible solution. Mr. Wellman stated the City is exploring different ideas which include a level spreader and reforesting areas that the sewer has gone through.

Mr. Londeree stated the EPA has come out with new guidelines for stormwater control on construction sites. It is in the comment period until February. There is a URL with guidelines and rationale for that as well as an economic impact document and environmental impact statement. If you look at all of them there are probably 1200 pages. Mr. Londeree stated he will send Mr. Florea the URL and he can forward it to members.

VISION STATEMENT DISCUSSION

Ms. Smith had issues with the wording of some of the vision statement.

1.A. Riparian corridor management – reforesting the corridor. Suggest re-vegetating as there are other solutions.

1.F. BMPs can address these issues rather than just one thing. The group discussed the issue of livestock having access to the creek. Midkiff sees this as a vision and believes the vision should be left as it is. Smith would like the vision to be more overarching. Londeree pointed out that agriculture activities cannot be regulated; livestock falls under agriculture. Smith stated she didn't want it put in the document if it is something that cannot be enforced. Midkiff stated he was reluctant to change this as it is someone's vision of the watershed.

Claire Baffaut believes that these can be regrouped. Mr. Florea stated the group did go through and group the items. Mr. Florea wants to prioritize these items as to which ones best accomplish the vision statement that the group worked out at the last meeting. From there prioritize which of these best promote this vision and then develop specific recommendations out of those that become policy recommendations to government. These are supposed to be general in nature and the next step will be more specific.

Mr. Florea stated there seems to be some dissatisfaction with the document and the vision statements. There are some people that don't want it in the document. Ultimately the meat of the plan is in the recommendations. Florea suggested the group moves past this and review the recommendation section based on how well it meets our vision for the watershed.

The group decided to move on to the recommendations.

RECOMMENDATION PRIORITY MATRIX

Mr. Florea stated that everyone needed to get familiar with the recommendation section of the plan and he will email updates to the group as there has been stream buffer regulations adopted and the county is working on getting stormwater regulations adopted.

WRAP UP AND ADJOURN

The next meeting will be December 8, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. in Room 220 of the Boone County Government Building.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 P.M.