

Meeting Minutes of the Town of Smyrna Storm Water Advisory Committee

October 4, 2007 at 5:00 PM

Smyrna Town Hall /Utilities Department Conference Room

Members Present:

Paul Johns
Steve Steele
Rhett Kimble

Rob White
Gunner Miller

Ray Lee (absentee)
Tim Warren (absentee)

Staff Present:

David King (ex-officio)
Melissa Morrison
Greg Upham (SWM Program Coordinator)

Steve called the meeting to order at 5:05PM on October 4, 2007.

- I. Members confirmed they had received minutes to last meeting and found them approvable (Steve).
- II. The following SWM Program achievements made since the August (special) SWAC meeting were discussed.
 - A. According to state law, all members must be physically present at SWAC meeting in order to be counted as being in attendance per town attorney.
 - B. Led specially called quarterly SWAC meeting where 6/7 members attended, plus three staff. Meeting minutes to this important TDEC annual report review were distributed to council members, commissioners, SWAC members, and posted on website.
 - C. The SWAC-approved annual report to TDEC was approved by town council at its workshop and monthly meeting.
 - D. Crafted verbiage for town council approval to modify Storm Water Management Ordinance to include a MTAS Post-Construction BMP manual, thereby satisfying a MS4 permit deficiency reviewed by the SWAC. [errata]. Should read "Provided copy of MTAS post-construction manual to engineer of record for his approval. Final verbiage for town council submittal was not completed.
 - E. Participated in the first official planning meeting for the proposed Storm Water Utility Ordinance.
 - F. Documentation was created, legally reviewed, and TDEC-submitted to defend the Town of Smyrna from any further encroachments from illegal discharges of human sewage from City of LaVergne manholes as well as to keep the Town of Smyrna from having to be involved in any Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for E-coli monitoring projects, which would have meant sharing costs with the City of LaVergne.
 - G. Received Dr. Brown of MTSU approval to broadcast her re-filmed pervious concrete presentation.
 - H. Hosted seventh Guest Speaker Forum where Beth Chesson, of Civil and Environmental Consultants (Level I instructor, too) who presented the modified Maryland Visual Stream Assessment program at the re-scheduled August's Guest Speaker Forum. The DVD of his presentation is being prepared by John Lanza to be shown several times on Channel 3.
 - I. Made arrangements for Dr. Warren Anderson, of MTSU Plant and Soil Science Department to present his 'Overview of Rain Gardens' presentation as October's Guest Speaker Forum. Advertised it through two mailings and Channel 3 broadcasting.
 - J. Attended and spoke at second Project WET teacher training workshop where 22 teachers were certified.
 - K. Initiated arrangements with the Sam Davis Home Foundation to allow the first Project WET in-stream monitoring teacher in Smyrna, Stephanie Davis of Cedar Grove Elementary, to bring five fifth grade classes along the banks Stewart Creek just downhill of the Creek House. This was a perfect spot found by TDEC during SRWA's annual meeting. John Lanza is already planning to film and broadcast the next class monitoring several times on Channel 3. A decision will be made by the SDHF board of directors in early October. They appear to be favorable at this time.
 - L. Gained approval from Mike Moss, Director of Parks Department, to post 'No Dumping' and legal notice/penalties signs at Gregory Mill Park and Davis Practice fields, both along Stewart Creek.
 - M. To date, 15 legal notice/penalty signs have been added to poles with existing 'No Dumping' signs or to fence posts without the larger sign.
 - N. Assisted Mike Moss with sediment control measure design for two sites along Stewart Creek and one site along a major sinkhole. Eventually issued grading permits to Mr. Moss for these sites.
 - O. Participated in three Fire Hall #6 team meetings, inspecting all erosion prevention-sediment controls and directing corrective measures be completed for several violations.
 - P. Inspected/approved erosion prevention-sediment controls at wastewater treatment plant construction site.
 - Q. Participated in two monthly staff plan review meetings where 16 projects were reviewed.
 - R. Participated in one pre-construction meeting.
 - S. Made four final plan reviews before sending plans to engineer of record, one inspection of sediment control measures during grading permit process, and two final construction site inspections.
 - T. Made many ~55 monthly erosion prevention-sediment control inspections, and issued many Notices of Violations for poor erosion prevention-sediment control practices.
 - U. Made many ~60 quarterly grease receptacle inspections and issued several Notices of Violations for allowing animal grease to leave the sites.

V. Made two developer-requested detention basin inspections with Street Department staff.

The next meeting of the Town of Smyrna SWAC is scheduled for January 3, 2008.

There being no other business, the meeting was called for adjournment, which was promptly and democratically approved at 5:35PM.

Steve Steele, Chair, SWAC

Date

AS SUBMITTED BY:

Greg Upham, Secretary, SWAC

Date

cc: Mayor and Council Members
Mark O'Neal, Town Manager
Michele Elliott, Town Attorney
Planning Commissioners
SWAC Members