

NORTH CENTRAL WISCONSIN STORMWATER COALITION
Minutes
May 23, 2013

Members: Diane Wessel (Marathon County), Michael Wodalski (V-Weston), Tim Vergara (V-Rothschild), Kevin King (C-Schofield), Scott Turner (T-Rib Mountain), Kevin Breit (C-Mosinee), Nick Dums (C-Wisconsin Rapids), Duane Gau (V-Kronenwetter).

Absent/Excused: Joel Lemke (C-Stevens Point), Tom Turchi (C-Marshfield), Sean Gehin (C-Wausau), Richard Lupton (C-Merrill),

Others: Kurt Schoen (Schoen Engineering Solutions), Archie Becher (Becher-Hoppe Engineers, Inc.), Caroline Burger (AECOM), Darryl Landeau (NCWRPC)

1. Call to Order.

The agenda being distributed to each community for posting and local media, Wessel called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m., in Room 3, 212 River Drive, Wausau, WI.

2. Approve the April 4, 2013 Meeting Minutes.

Action: **MOTION / SECOND BY KING / BREIT TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 4, 2013 MEETING. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.**

3. WI River TMDL - Baraboo Contact.

Discussion: Vergara spoke with Tom Pinion, Baraboo's Public Works Director about the WI River TMDL and the Coalition. He is aware of the TMDL, and his concern is primarily with their Waste Water Treatment Plant. However, he is interested in attending future meetings and requested to be kept in the loop. Baraboo is the only MS4 in the river basin not in the Coalition. Breit noted that the communities which discharge wastewater into the Wisconsin River are meeting to address the same issue, and they have been discussing joining with the paper mills to coordinate efforts. Should we also look to contact this group as well? Coordination to obtain necessary data may be a way to share the costs as well. Schoen added that the Village of Plover will become an MS4 when projects now under construction are completed in the next couple of years.

Action: None needed at this time.

Follow Through: Tom Pinion will be added to the Coalition email distribution list. Wessel will make contact with the wastewater discharge group.

4. Coordination with Other Surface Water Projects.

A. Lake Wausau Association.

Discussion: A rain barrel was donated for the Lake Wausau Association fundraiser. There was discussion about the Lake Association and the Coalition connecting more, especially with the education and outreach. They requested that the Coalition give a presentation at one of their monthly meetings on what the group is about and possibly joining forces with them. They were thinking that at some point, the Coalition might start sending a representative to their regular monthly meetings. Wessel had circulated an email to Coalition members regarding sponsorship of the Lake Wausau Map update. Spots are available for \$200, and Wessel wanted to confirm the interest of the group. The printing may be divided into two parts for a total of 10,000 maps. Consensus of the group was to proceed with the sponsorship based on the very reasonable rate.

Action: None needed at this time.

Follow Through: Lake Wausau Association Chair will coordinate with Wessel. Wessel will follow-up on the map sponsorship purchase.

B. Marathon County Lake Planning Grant.

Discussion: From the last meeting, this grant will be a continuation the eastern Marathon County Lakes grant to include a "Central Waters Gathering" workshop next year. This would be an opportunity for the Coalition to provide technical training for developers. Grant was submitted by the May deadline with the letter of support from the Coalition.

Action: None needed at this time.

Follow Through: None needed at this time.

5. Educational Group.

A. Wisconsin River Clean Up.

Discussion: Wisconsin River Clean Up event was held on the May 10th. Wessel, Gehin and Wodalski put together some poster boards and set up an educational program on the direct connection between the storm sewer and the river for the youth that participated. The Coalition logo is on the back of the T-shirts that were distributed. There was one student that was interested in more information for a class project, and Wessel provided her with more information. The poster boards will be available for use at future events.

Action: None needed at this time.

Follow Through: Wessel will follow-up on documentation for the education and outreach program.

B. Rain Barrel Construction/Workshops.

Discussion: Wessel announced that Kris Tiles, UWEX has availability to work on rain barrel workshops this year. Past workshops have been held in Wisconsin Rapids, Schofield, Wausau and Weston. Vergara stated they would like to do one in Rothschild. There is probably enough for two workshops.

Action: None needed at this time.

Follow Through: Wessel will follow-up on rain barrels supplies and coordinate with Tiles.

6. Technical Group.

A. Update on DNR Review of Draft Ordinances (Schoen Engineering LLC).

Discussion: Schoen reported that DNR has the final revision including changes submitted by Kronenwetter, so it's in their court and we will hopefully hear soon.

Action: None at this time.

Follow Through: None at this time.

7. North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission.

A. Review of Bylaws.

Discussion: Landeau presented his review of the Coalition bylaws and suggested changes. There was discussion regarding expanding the purpose section. Currently it reflects the group's educational and technical roles but not the political role that has evolved. There was discussion about membership. There was discussion about technical committee composition.

Action: None needed at this time.

Follow Through: Landeau will wordsmith the purpose and committee sections and majority of quorum for voting before circulating out to the group for final review.

B. Website Development.

Discussion: The new web site developed by the RPC staff was discussed. Upcoming events will be posted. Landeau asked the group to have a link to the site placed on each of their community web sites.

Action: None needed at this time.

Follow Through: Web page development will be an on-going process. Each community should post a link to the new Coalition site on their local home pages.

C. Budget Report.

Discussion: Landeau gave the financial report. The beginning balance transferred to the RPC was \$18,581. Expenses so far have included check purchase for \$18.55, Wisconsin River Clean Up contribution for \$300 and lamination of display boards for the Wisconsin River Clean Up program for \$79.60. There was also a deposit of \$105 from Channel 9 reflecting unused funds for work in editing the Rubber Ducky PSA video last year. The current balance is \$18,287.85. Upcoming expenses will include the Lake Wausau Association map sponsorship and the rain barrel workshop expenses (most of which is recovered by the workshop fee).

8. Announcements.

Discussion: None at this time.

Action: None needed at this time.

Follow Through: None needed at this time.

9. Next Meeting Date/Agenda.

Action: **CONSENSUS** REACHED THAT THE NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE COALITION WILL BE JUNE 20 AT 10:00 AM AT LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED (210 OR 212 RIVER DRIVE, WAUSAU).

10. Adjourn.

There being no further business to come before the coalition, **MOTION / SECOND BY VERGARA / KING TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 11:15 A.M. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.**

Submitted by: Darryl Landeau
North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission