

**NORTH CENTRAL WISCONSIN STORMWATER COALITION**  
**Minutes**  
**April 24, 2014**

**Members:** Tim Vergara (V-Rothschild), Tom Pinion (C-Baraboo) via teleconference line, Kevin King (C-Schofield), Becky Frisch (Marathon County), Kevin Breit (C-Mosinee), Michael Wodalski (V-Weston), Scott Turner (T-Rib Mountain), and Rob Molski (C-Stevens Point).

**Absent/Excused:** Sean Gehin (C-Wausau), Duane Gau (V-Kronenwetter), Tom Turchi (C-Marshfield), Richard Lupton (C-Merrill), and Nick Dums (C-Wisconsin Rapids).

**Others:** Kurt Schoen (Schoen Engineering Solutions) and Darryl Landeau (NCWRPC).

1. Call to Order.

The agenda being distributed to each community for posting and to local media, Acting Chair Vergara called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. in Room 2, 212 River Drive, Wausau, WI.

2. Approve the Minutes of the March 13, 2014 Meeting as emailed.

**Action: Motion / second by King / Breit to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2014. Motion carried by voice vote with all in favor.**

3. Elections.

Discussion: The officer positions and related bylaw provisions were briefly discussed.

Action: Nominations for Chair were called for three times. King nominated, with second by Breit, Duane Gau from Kronenwetter. **Motion / second by Frisch / Vergara to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Gau as Chair. Motion carried by voice vote with all in favor.** Nominations for Vice Chair were called for three times. King nominated, with second by Breit, Jeff Pritchard, designated Marathon County Coalition Representative beginning May 2014. **Motion / second by Breit / Wodalski to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Pritchard as Vice Chair. Motion carried by voice vote with all in favor.** Nominations for Secretary/Treasurer were called for three times. Wodalski nominated, with second by Frisch, Kevin King from Schofield. **Motion / second by Breit / Wodalski to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for King as Secretary/Treasurer. Motion carried by voice vote with all in favor.**

4. Budget Report.

Discussion: Landeau reported a current balance of \$28,028.58 after paying \$500 to SES for the DNR guidance review memo as part of our TMDL Services Contract (\$3,100 remaining). Pending expenditures include the billing on the Rubber Ducky commercial at Marcus Theaters for \$2,760, the waters event up to \$1,500, rain garden plant subsidies for Rib Mountain and Kronenwetter at \$750 each, and the rain barrel supplies / logo stickers as well as the Wisconsin River Clean-up to be discussed later on the agenda

Action: None needed at this time.

Follow Through: None at this time.

5. NCWSC Cooperative Agreement Renewal.

Discussion: The sample resolution has been distributed to the communities to use for adoption of the Coalition's Cooperative Agreement by each member's governing body. There was brief discussion on the adoption process. There was consensus that a target date for adoption should be set at July 1.

Action: None needed at this time.

Follow Through: Each representative will engage the process to get approval by their boards or councils by July 1.

6. Rain Barrel Supplies.

Discussion: Breit presented the estimate for new NCWSC sticker printing from Stratford Signs. There was brief discussion regarding the amount to order. King presented the barrel inventory which is at 18 blue and 22 red for a total of 40. There was brief discussion regarding the existing barrel inventory. It was determined that the inventory of 40 would suffice for this year, allowing for two rain barrel workshops of 20 participants each. Landeau has been in contact with Tiles regarding ordering of the barrel hardware. Tiles is planning to go back to Menards where she can use a county account to preorder the necessary quantities rather than Grainger. Landeau has a rebate check from a previous Menards purchase.

Action: **Motion / second by King / Breit to order 250 NCWSC logo stickers from Stratford Sign for \$362.50. Motion carried by voice vote with all in favor.**

Follow Through: Breit will place the order with Stratford Sign and relay the invoice to Landeau for payment. Landeau will communicate the rain barrel inventory and 2014 workshop plan (2 sessions) along with the Menards rebate to Tiles for the hardware order.

#### 7. WI River Clean Up

Discussion: The annual Wisconsin River Clean Up event on May 9 was discussed. Wodalski worked with Wessel and Gehin on a presentation last year and volunteered to put something together for this year's program. He will contact Gehin. Frisch will look at staff within her department to assist. Materials from last year, including large laminated boards, will be used again.

Action: **Motion / second by King / Frisch to contribute \$300 to the Wisconsin River Clean Up. Motion carried by voice vote with all in favor.**

Follow Through: Wodalski will work with Gehin and Frisch to put together a stormwater presentation for this year's event.

#### 8. Planning for Waters Event.

Discussion: Preparations for the June 7 waters event were discussed. King was going to coordinate and man the exhibit but has to leave at 1, so there needs to be someone to relieve him from 1 to 2. Landeau distributed an updated handout outlining the main elements of the Coalition's program for the event. Topics discussed included NCWSC model displays in addition to the run-off house; new sign installation for rain garden; built barrel delivery (King); assistance for King; power; and the busted fence among others. Frisch will email out the flyer for communities to begin promoting.

Action: None needed at this time.

Follow Through: Frisch and King will follow up. Place on May agenda for final discussion/preparations before the event.

#### 9. Review Potential MS4 Stormwater Training & Public Outreach Packages on Pollution Prevention and IDDE.

Discussion: Sales rep from Excal Visual that does a variety of environmental training packages contacted Landeau regarding an updated version of "Rain Check" program being used by City of Wausau. Landeau reported that they have a number of related training packages and circulated sample kits and handout with descriptions. The training relates to stormwater pollution prevention for MS4s and IDDE and seems to address many of the things the group has been discussing and dealing with including training for contractors. There is also an IDDE Public Outreach program which is a series of videos from 30 seconds to 10 minutes in length. These are on a license agreement with a fee based on population. Landeau wasn't sure how the group would utilize or if we could get enough value out of them in light of the existing Rubber

Ducky video. There was general discussion on use of the training. Schoen thought that even though it probably covered the more general, nationwide EPA stuff, it could still be useful. He thought that in addition to contractors, another "group" that should be targeted for education is your own municipal employees. He added that housecleaning at municipal facilities is one area of focus for the local DNR contact. There was general consensus that the programs look like a good idea, and the group should preview them at the next meeting.

Action: None needed at this time.

Follow Through: Use CPZ conference room to preview the training videos at the next meeting.

#### 10. Announcements.

Discussion: There were a number of announcements.

Vergara noted that he had an incorrect date on the TMDL guidance review memo which was forwarded to the DNR. He contacted the DNR, and they indicated that would not cause any problem.

Vergara also discussed Stevens Point Flowage map unveiling program on May 15 at 5 pm at the Bucholz Park Lodge in Stevens Point and asked that someone attend on behalf of the Coalition. Molski agreed to do that.

Wodalski asked if anyone had seen the article in the paper about Walker signing the bill easing phosphorus requirements. Schoen explained that it allows non-MS4 permit holders to get a waiver but will apply to wastewater treatment plants and there may be an opportunity to partner. Money goes to counties for projects in agricultural areas. Landeau had emailed the group a summary of this Senate bill.

Landeau has been contacted by a geology student from Wausau attending UW-Milwaukee who is doing a GIS project on runoff in areas surrounding the WI River. He is looking for GIS data and my produce a product that may be of some interest or use to the Coalition. Frisch indicated this should be on the next agenda to work out a data sharing agreement to provide data to this student.

#### 11. Next Meeting Date/Agenda.

Action: Consensus was reached on changing the regular meeting date to the third Thursday in order to hold the meetings in the CPZ conference room (conference line access), so the next scheduled meeting of the Coalition will be May 15 at 10:00 am with the location at 210 River Drive, Wausau.

#### 12. Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the Coalition, **motion / second by Breit / King to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote, with all in favor.**

Submitted by: Darryl Landeau  
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