

**NORTH CENTRAL WISCONSIN STORMWATER COALITION**  
**Minutes**  
**January 15, 2015**

**Members:** Duane Gau (V-Kronenwetter), Michael Wodalski (V-Weston), Tim Vergara (V-Rothschild), Jeff Pritchard (Marathon County), Kevin King (C-Schofield), Sean Gehin (C-Wausau), and Nick Dums (C-Wisconsin Rapids) *via teleconference*.

**Absent/Excused:** Tom Turchi (C-Marshfield), Kevin Breit (C-Mosinee), Richard Lupton (C-Merrill), Scott Turner (T-Rib Mountain), Rob Molski (C-Stevens Point) and Tom Pinion (C-Baraboo).

**Others:** Kurt Schoen (Schoen Engineering Solutions), Tonia Speener (Clark Dieitz), Fred Heider (NCWRPC), and Darryl Landeau (NCWRPC).

1. Call to Order.

The agenda being distributed to each community for posting and to local media, Chair Gau called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. in the Large Conference Room 210 River Drive, Wausau, WI.

2. Approve the Minutes of the December 18, 2014 Meeting as emailed.

**Action: Moved/Seconded by King/Gau to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2014 meeting. Motion carried.**

3. Chairperson's Report.

Discussion:

- a. Chairperson Gau opened discussion about populating the advisory committees. Members agreed that due to TMDL reviews, the Technical Advisory Committee, and Educational Committee should be ready to review material whenever it becomes available in 2015.

Members and others volunteered to join the committees as follows:

Technical Advisory Committee – Gehin, Vergara, Speener, and Dums.

Educational Committee – Wodalski, Schoen, King, Pritchard, and Gau.

Action: None needed at this time.

Follow Through: NCWRPC to follow up with remainder of Coalition members as to what committees they may want to be a part of.

- b. Chairperson Gau announced that the upcoming 2015 Wisconsin River Symposium “Making Connections for clean Water” is Thursday, March 19. DNR is looking for suggestions for technical topics at this conference. No suggestions were identified by the Coalition.

Action: None needed at this time.

Follow Through: None needed at this time.

4. Budget Report.

Discussion: Heider reported a current balance of \$16,842.86, with outstanding liabilities that include the balance of the TMDL Services Contract (\$2,241.32), and up to \$1,500 pledged to the Water's Edge event when those numbers are finally tallied.

Available Balance = \$13,101.54

Action: None needed at this time.

Follow Through: None at this time.

5. WI League Of Municipalities Local Government Stormwater Group

Discussion: Vergara initiated asking the League if the Coalition could join the League's resurrected Local Government Stormwater Group for one lump fee to cover each Coalition municipality, since this type of membership was done in the past with the League. The League decided to only allow individual local governments to become members.

Action: **Moved/Seconded by King/Gehin that the Coalition will pay the fee for each Coalition municipality that wants to join the League's Local Government Stormwater Group in 2015. Motion carried.**

Follow Through: NCWRPC will follow up with other Coalition members who were not present.

6. TMDL Model Review Status

Discussion: Schoen described that the DNR is starting their first 21 day review period on January 16. DNR wants the actual data reviewed. Schoen noted that his review could include two parts: 1. Review computer code assumptions that are written as readable text in the code, and 2. Take a few samples of the rural area data and plot them to see if the results are accurate.

Action: **Moved/Seconded by Wodalski/King that Schoen will spend up to 5 days reviewing the TMDL draft models-in-progress, released January 18<sup>th</sup>, by reviewing the code and processing a few samples of rural data; and to report back to the Coalition in time for possible official Coalition comment to be made. Motion carried.**

Follow Through: Schoen will review the data and report back to the Coalition in time for possible official Coalition comment to be made.

7. Discuss Plans For Phosphorus Stakeholder Meeting

Discussion: Landeau discussed his progress with organizing this watershed scale meeting, which is tentatively scheduled for late April or May. Presentation ideas were discussed, and stakeholders were suggested. Venue and registration were also discussed.

Action: None needed at this time.

Follow Through: Landeau will continue planning this event, with additional discussion at the next meeting.

8. Education / Outreach Activities Tracking For Annual Reporting

Discussion: Pritchard will assemble a spreadsheet of educational activities for Coalition members to use with their own filing requirements.

Action: None needed at this time.

Follow Through: Pritchard will send spreadsheet to Coalition members, and the spreadsheet will be finalized at the next meeting.

9. Discuss Wausau Demonstration Project Scope Of Work, If Available.

Discussion: Wausau was not present, so Gau suggested tabling agenda item till next meeting.

10. Announcements.

Discussion:

- Spring APWA Conference – Paul Kent and Matt Maroney are both presenters
- APWA Awards – think about fellow colleagues
- Stormwater Conference in May @ Kalahari near Cedar Point, OH
- Business Day in Madison is March 4th

11. Next Meeting Date / Agenda.      Discussion: 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday in February – 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

12. Adjournment.

Since there was no further business to come before the Coalition, **motioned/seconded by Dums/Vergara to adjourn the meeting at 11:33 a.m. Motion carried.**

Submitted by: Fred Heider  
North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission