

NORTH CENTRAL WISCONSIN STORMWATER COALITION
Minutes
March 21, 2019

Members: Jeff Pritchard (Marathon County), Rob Molski (C-Stevens Point), Michael Wodalski (V-Weston), TJ Nicksich (C-Wausau), Rod Akey (C-Merrill), and via teleconference: Tim Vergara (V-Rothschild), Kevin Breit (C-Mosinee), and Tom Pinion (C-Baraboo).

Absent/Excused: Mark Thuot (C-Schofield), Dustin Bonack (C-Merrill), Scott Turner (T-Rib Mountain), Tom Turchi (C-Marshfield), Kevin Lang (Marathon Co Hwy), Christopher Johnson (V-Kronenwetter), Nick Dums (C-Wisconsin Rapids), and Becky Frisch (Marathon County).

Others: Fred Heider (NCWRPC), and via teleconference: Josh Accola (AECOM), and Rick Eilertson (AECOM).

1. Call to Order.

The agenda being distributed to each community for posting and to local media, Pritchard called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. in the Large Conference Room 210 River Drive, Wausau, WI.

2. Approve the Minutes of the February 21, 2019 Meeting.

Action: Moved/Seconded by Nicksich/Wodalski to approved the minutes of the February 21, 2019 meeting. Motion carried.

3. Chairperson's Report.

- **Memorandum of Agreement** between Marathon County and Coalition members – these are due in December 2019.

4. Budget Report.

Discussion: Heider reported a current balance of **\$46,040.75 after:**

- Receiving Schofield's annual member contribution of \$1,250; and
- Paying a Strand invoice of \$548.30 for the February meeting.

Outstanding Liabilities:

- Up to \$6,000 for "No Farms, No Food" t-shirts;
- \$2,000 for sponsorship of groundwater display at Marshfield Zoo;
- \$500 for sponsoring the WI River Cleanup; and
- \$150 for a potential WI Stormwater Collaborative meeting lunch.

Available Balance = \$37,390.75

Also note: 2019 Member Contribution invoices of \$1,250 went to each community's clerk.

- Wausau is scheduled to pay this month.

Approved by general consent to accept the budget report as presented.

Pritchard noticed that Turchi was not in attendance yet, so he moved the agenda around.

6. Consider donation or rain garden sponsorship to Baraboo Zoo (Pinion).

Discussion: Heider mentioned that the Coalition has provided money for rain garden plants and materials for other communities in the \$750 and \$1,000 amounts in the past. Additional assistance is available through UWEX in Marathon County, and a Coalition sign is available too.

Action: Moved/Seconded by Wodalski/Vergara to approve spending up to \$1,000 for establishing a rain garden in the Baraboo Zoo - as verified by receipts. Motion carried.

5. Consider donation or rain garden sponsorship to Marshfield Zoo (Turchi).

Discussion: In the absence of additional indoor sponsorship information from Turchi, the Members discussed approving a similar rain garden amount as they just approved to Baraboo.

Action: **Moved/Seconded by Vergara/Akey to approve spending up to \$1,000 for establishing a rain garden in the Marshfield Zoo - as verified by receipts. Motion carried.**

7. Consider 2019 sponsorship opportunities in the city of Baraboo.

Discussion: Heider began noting some type of sponsorship items that may be applicable to Baraboo. Pinion mentioned several ideas like supporting the high school agriculture instructor or Friends of the Baraboo River clean-up.

Action: Pinion will come back with an ask at a future meeting.

8. Announcements.

9. Next Meeting Date & Agenda

- To be determined – but for sure in July.

10. Adjournment.

Motioned/seconded by Akey/ Molski to adjourn the meeting at 10:39 a.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by: Fred Heider
North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission