

Location: Farm & Home Center

Voting Members Present: Cory Rathman, Mark Johnson, Jay Snyder, Mike LaSala, John Bingham, Logan Myers, Heather Valudes

Non-Voting Steering Committee Members Present: Mark Huber, Chris Thompson, Matt Kofroth, Kent Bitting, Kristen Kyler

Guests/non-SC Members: Hilary Yarger (?), Francesca Formica and Leslie Weller (LCCD interns)

Approval of Minutes- A motion was made to approve May minutes by Mike. Logan seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes recorded by: Kent Bitting

AGENDA ITEMS

Budget Committee- Jay Snyder

- only activity is payment for permeable pavement reimbursement as part of Little Conestoga NFWF

Outreach and Education

- Trainings and Workshops
 - Update – Mark Johnson
 - Anticipate a workshop in September aimed at educating municipalities, 2 hr session/speaker
 - Would like to coordinate with Fritz and the City about streamlining small project implementation as part of MS4 permit, as well as LCPC
 - Goal is to have a topic identified by mid-July
 - Logan identified LCaTS group is looking at providing a session on MS4 compliance to municipalities
 - Jay suggested coordinating with Jay Braun at PADEP to be aware of trainings PADEP is planning
 - Mike L. suggested that we provide very specific training that participants have a tool to take away with them
 - LCPC speakers series – Mark Huber
 - Mark provided a summary of planned Stormwater and Green Infrastructure Lecture Series via email; to occur Fridays from September-December
 - As part of Comp Plan, LCPC is looking to coordinate efforts with other groups- much of the planning has been done, but LCPC would like LCCWC to co-sponsor
 - No monetary requirement of LCCWC, but LCPC requests a representative of LCCWC to be present, help get the word out and have memberships participate, and to use the LCCWC logo; possibility of professional credits for some and education credits for MS4
 - LCPC would like this to be a first step to future collaboration on education
 - John made a motion to co-sponsor the Stormwater and Green Infrastructure Lecture Series with LCPC. Logan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
 - Residential rain barrel program – Joellyn provided by Cory
 - Joellyn submitted a grant to Community Foundation in July for 200 rainbarrels and 5 workshops throughout county- \$10,000
- Workshops would be done in coordination with townships so that they can use them for their MS4 education

- Newsletter/Blog/Website – Ruth/Kristen have volunteered to help layout the newsletter to membership, but the content needs to be developed
 - Kristen will follow-up with Joellyn about this

Fundraising- Kent Gardner

- Membership Update – Joellyn
 - Joellyn and Cory made a presentation to LIMC and they will be renewing in full
 - Heather and Joellyn are to discuss distributing the membership letters
- Golf – Kent G
 - Chris reported that about \$1500 in sponsorship funds have been received thus far
- Signs – Heather
 - \$295 for banner plus \$55 setup for a total of \$350
 - Heather provided 2 designs
 - Was some push to have complete by June 24 for Chiques Creek expo at Leiderkranz but group decided to not rush design, Heather may be able to print out some materials for distribution at expo
 - A second look will be taken to get the right pictures in the design- make sure LCCWC sponsored events and we know what is going on in all the pictures

Water Quality/Compliance

- NFWF grant- will be completed July 31, 2015
- DEP quarterly meeting update – Joellyn/Cory
 - Joellyn and Cory had a good meeting with Andy Zemba and Kristen Wolf- there was the sentiment that LCCWC is needed at the county-level
 - There will be a future meeting with
 - Specified that LCCWC would like some direction for municipalities
- Watershed Action Plans/Pilot Program/Regional Conservation Partnership Program– Mark G/Joellyn/Cory
 - PADEP confirmed that watershed action plans within county were good products to pursue on a broader scale
 - Discussed large grant (millions) availability from ARCAP (?)
 - Long-term mechanisms with economic development in mind that would bring urban, suburban, and rural entities together- municipal mitigation bank- may need a demo/pilot funded by Growing Greener as first step because grant for this magnitude of funding would need to be very polished; Mike is thinking 50-100k would be realistic; Jay believes we can easily find the match for 50k but 100k may be a stretch
 - Chris has a meeting on June 5 with EPA and PADEP, following that meeting, they will pursue this further
 - Jay made a motion that we pursue Growing Greener grant of ~\$50k to the next level; Heather seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
 - Watershed needs to be selected. Mike to have a draft package prepared by end of June meeting, and if not, then it is scratched. ACTION ITEM
 - Next CFLC meeting in July 22- after GG deadline so there would have to be a conference call set up for Foundation to approve.
- Streamside project updates – Kent B
 - Reimbursement check #3 received from PADEP. Funds provided to Conestoga Country Club for storm repairs

- Received Landowner Agreement from West Lampeter Township. They plan to submit interim requests.
- No work done yet on Santo Domingo Creek because of recent heavy rains

NEW BUSINESS

- Kleinschmidt evapotranspiration wetland- constructed and complete- Matt will provide Angie signage image for SC to review. There will be some monitoring. Tyler will provide a project briefing to SC at some point in the future.
- Group discussed adding a future requirement to LCCWC grant sponsorships that includes a paper, a newsletter, or some other vehicle to communicate projects

Meeting adjourned 4:15 pm

HANDOUTS

ACTION ITEMS

1. Matt to provide Angie signage image for Kleinschmidt project. Angie will distribute to group to review.

Future Agenda Items

1. Steering Committee membership– carried from previous meeting
2. Identify criteria and evaluate county watersheds to identify focus areas for NFWF Technical Assistance Grant– carried from previous meeting
3. Emergency Services Provider Workshop
4. Watershed Action Plan models