

**Location:** Farm & Home Center

**Voting Members Present:** Joellyn Warren, Kent Gardner, Cory Rathman, John Bingham, Jay Snyder

**Non-Voting Steering Committee Members Present:** Kent Bitting, Matt Kofroth, Fritz Schroeder

**Minutes recorded by:** Kent Bitting

**Approval of Minutes-** A motion was made by to approve February minutes by Cory. Kent seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

### ***AGENDA ITEMS***

#### **Budget Committee- Jay Snyder**

- No activity this month.

#### **Outreach and Education**

- Newspaper article/advertisement costs – Heather
  - Joellyn will discuss with Heather
- Trainings and Workshops
  - ACF Environmental Training opportunity
    - Kent B. will set up a date for the training with Warren Cohn
    - Charge non-members \$20 for attendance
  - Keep PP3 Discussion – March 9<sup>th</sup> – Mark
    - Joellyn and Kent B. attended PP3 meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup> where the partners described their vision.
  - LCATS Partnership – March 29<sup>th</sup> – Cory/Joellyn
    - Cory and Joellyn met with Les Houck
    - LCATS is also interested in membership benefit
    - Their next quarterly meeting is March 29<sup>th</sup>
    - Possibly partner for a garage audit grant
  - MS4 Education for Elected Officials – Joellyn
  - Engineer's roundtable – Cory
    - The roundtable will be held on April 6<sup>th</sup>.
    - Currently have 10 engineers registered

#### **Fundraising/Administrative**

- 2016 Golf Outing – Kent
  - Advertising and door prize assistance is needed
  - Outing will be held on May 23rd
- Membership Assistance Grant – Joellyn
  - Joellyn spoke with DCED about grant. It is not a typical grant request, but is fundable.
  - Needs to describe that municipalities are unequipped to handle the MS4 program and it is a necessary activity.

- LCCD would be the applicant.
- Applications can be submitted anytime as grant is on a rolling basis.
- The grant would be for 2 years for ½ salary.
- Will need revised MOUs or resolutions from each member
- Steering Committee membership letters – Heather/Joelilyn
  - Heather has prepared membership letters for renewal, private sector and new members

#### **Water Quality/Compliance**

- Chiques Creek Reenvisioned NFWF grant – Kristen Kyler
  - There are 3 teams: Planning/Modeling, Stormwater, Agriculture
  - A 4<sup>th</sup> team may be added for Municipalities
  - A meeting will be held to determine how to facilitate the distribution of the cost share money
- Stormwater Mini grant (~\$10,000) – Joelilyn
  - Joelilyn is working the grant program.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Water Week – Fritz
  - Handed out a sample concept book.
  - Looking for ideas
  - Riparian Buffer clean up
  - Education Film
  - Sponsorships are needed. Approx. \$50,000
  - Shooting for 2017 as first year.

**Meeting adjourned 4:13 pm**