



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
HELD AT SPICER GROUP
MARCH 24, 2004

Present: James Koski, Matt Rappley, *Saginaw County Public Works Commissioner's Office*; Sonny Grunwell, *Saginaw Charter Township*; Chris Snyder, *Thomas Township*; Dale Klein, *Carrollton Township*; John Malzahn, *Bridgeport Charter Township*; Robert Tutsock, *Saginaw Valley State University*; John Premo, *City of Saginaw*; Russ Beaubien, Tiffany Hedrich, *Spicer Group*.

Excused: Dan Sika, *Thomas Township*

Absent: Brian Wendling, *Saginaw County Road Commission*; Tim Applebee, *Saginaw ISD*

I. Mr. Koski called this meeting of the Executive Committee to order at 10:07 a.m.

II. Review of March 10th Meeting Minutes

Mr. Malzahn moved, Mr. Premo supported, approval of the March 10th, 2004 meeting minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

III. Correspondence

A. There was a report that after neglecting to pay attention, a woman overloaded her 18 gallon gas tank with 33 gallons of gas. The excess gas spilled onto the pavement at a local gas station, and flowed into a nearby storm sewer drain. The state has been notified.

IV. Report from Treasurer

A. Mr. Malzahn had no new billings to report. He also stated that there has been no response from the former accountant. Mr. Malzahn has also written up a contract for the new accountant –Roberts, Bohler, and Fisher. He stated that it is basically the same as the former contract except this one commences on April 1st instead of January 1st. It is renewable after 60 days.

V. Old Business

A. Mr. Beaubien met with Jim Gerth of the Genesee County Drain Commissioner's Office. They discussed how they will be handling the PPP for Birch Run Township, and the lower Flint Watershed. The amount of meetings should be minimal as we are participating as a stakeholder, approximately 6 per year. Mr. Beaubien broke down the costs and went over several aspects of the public participation process for committee members. They have tentatively set May 6th, and May 18th as prospective meeting dates for stakeholder and public information meetings. Mr. Beaubien will contact the executive committee with finalized dates and times when he is notified of the meetings.

B. Web-Site –The web site has been upgraded substantially. Several links have been added to the homepage such as: Questions & Comments, Top 10 Things to Stop Pollution, the approved PEP is posted, and educational activities for kids. There was also a suggestion to add links that lead to or from the Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce, MSU Cooperative Extension Service, a water quality report page providing current data, a monthly update, and a space for surveys. The committee gave permission to begin implementation of surveys.

- C. Grant Application Progress –There was no update at this time. Mr. Koski added that it sounds favorable.
- D. PEP-The approved plan has been submitted to Keith Noble of the MDEQ.
- E. County Wide Storm Ordinance-This is still on hold; Mr. Koski stated that the county commission has finally approved the SESC ordinance. Now he can proceed with presenting the storm water quality ordinance to the commissioners for approval.
- F. April 22 IDEP training at SVSU-everyone is signed up and ready for this event.
- G. Fire Chiefs Training-Mr. Beaubien and Mr. Koski met with the County Fire Chiefs and informed them of the illicit discharge and spill procedure. They also clarified the extent of some of their duties, and provided them with information regarding cleanup funding sources for non-petroleum materials from the EPA.
- H. March 24, 2004 9-1-1 training-Mr. Beaubien and Mr. Grunwell will be leading this.

VI. New Business

- A. Public Participation Plan–Mr. Beaubien provided a copy of the finished draft plan for everyone to peruse and provide comments on. Mr. Beaubien will be submitting a draft to Keith Noble per the executive committee’s request. Mr. Rappley asked that Mr. Beaubien provide the committee with any review comments from MDEQ before proceeding with revisions. The submittal date is April 15, 2004.
- B. MSU Cooperative Extension Agent-Mark Seaman will be cooperating with SASWA and providing information regarding agricultural stakeholders for the public participation process.
- C. Buena Vista Schools are coming on board. The Township will hold the permit and the School will go along with it. On March 30th, Mr. Beaubien has a meeting with Debra Clarke, Buena Vista School District Superintendent, to inform her of what is taking place. This will increase Buena Vista’s quarterly payments by \$1,500.00.
- D. Mr. Beaubien had some additional news that Eric Jyhla from TV5 contacted him. Mr. Jyhla feels that the idea of having the weatherperson provide public education on storm water management and pollution may be an idea that they will pursue. This may lead to SASWA getting a link on TV5’s web-site. This idea is moving forward.
- E. Preparation of Agenda for April 14th Executive Committee Meeting: Standard agenda items

VII. Adjournment:

Mr. Malzahn moved, Mr. Tutsock supported adjournment of the Executive Committee meeting at 11:00 a.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

John Malzahn, Treasurer