



**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
HELD AT SPICER GROUP  
April 26, 2006**

Present: John Premo, *City of Saginaw*; Chris Snyder, *Thomas Township*; John Malzahn, *Bridgeport Charter Township*; James Koski, *Saginaw County Public Works*; Robert Tutsock, *Saginaw Valley State University*; Mark Pilkington, *Carrollton Township*; Kelly Quimper, *Saginaw ISD*; Russell Beaubien, *Becky Kubica, Spicer Group*

Excused: Sonny Grunwell, *Saginaw Charter Township*

Absent: *Saginaw County Road Commission*

I. Mr. Koski called this meeting of the Executive Committee to order at 10:05 a.m.

II. Review of March 22<sup>nd</sup> Meeting Minutes

*Mr. Malzahn moved, Mr. Tutsock supported, approval of the March 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting minutes, as presented. MOTION CARRIED.*

III. Correspondence:

Mr. Beaubien reported that Keith Noble told him that southwest Michigan was looking for information on trailer waste brochures. He had directed them to our website to look at our brochure.

IV. Public Comments

Mr. Koski called for Public Comments and there were none.

V. Report from Treasurer:

Mr. Malzahn presented revised Invoice #144521Rev for \$12,604.50 for general services in March from Spicer Group.

*A motion was made by Mr. Snyder to approve Invoice #144521 for \$12,604.50 from Spicer Group, and supported by Mr. Premo. MOTION PASSED.*

VI. Old Business:

A. MTA letter and lawsuit – discussion

Mr. Beaubien distributed copies of the MTA letter regarding the lawsuit being filed on behalf of the Charter Townships of Comstock and Kalamazoo, which contends that the MDEQ has erroneously applied state and federal law in its determination that plaintiff townships are not “owners or operators” of municipal separate storm systems. They are

requesting that townships consider making a donation to the legal fund for this suit. This information was discussed at the April General Membership meeting. After a discussion, it was decided that at this time the SASWA would monitor the progress of the lawsuit.

*Mr. Malzahn moved, Mr. Premo supported, that we do not take any action at this time, but we monitor the lawsuit. MOTION CARRIED.*

B. IDEP Grant quarterly submittal update

Mr. Beaubien noted the IDEP grant reimbursement was submitted on 4/25/06. Mr. Malzahn requested a copy for the Treasurer's file. Mr. Beaubien will email it to him.

C. Storm Water Operator Certification Training - May 12<sup>th</sup> at Spicer Group.

Mr. Beaubien stated that he will be emailing the dates and times out for the certification training.

VII. New Business:

A. Soil Erosion Sediment Control updates and discussion on complaint -

At the General Membership meeting, Mr. Beaubien reported that Charlie Bauer had contacted him regarding a private storm water outlet in the Tittabawassee River that was causing erosion, and Mr. Bauer wanted to know how the SASWA was going to handle it. After some discussion at this meeting regarding the fact that the MDEQ is responsible for waters of the State of Michigan, a motion was made and passed to have Mr. Koski write a letter to the MDEQ stating our position. After a discussion at the Executive Meeting regarding this discussion and motion, Mr. Koski stated that he would write the letter to the MDEQ.

B. Public Education – Riparian Landowner Brochure

Mr. Beaubien noted that as part of the Public Education plan, he would like to start creating a brochure for Riparian Landowners. This brochure would be mailed to people living along rivers and include information on lawn care, buffer strips, etc. He would work from tax roll information to create a mailing list. Once the brochure has been created and mailing information finalized, Mr. Beaubien will bring it to the membership for final approval.

*Mr. Malzahn moved, Mr. Snyder supported, that Spicer Group create the brochure and gather information for mailing. MOTION CARRIED.*

C. Storm Water Management Plan Guidelines

Mr. Beaubien reported that they are moving forward. Since it is not possible that a countywide storm water management plan be created and this plan is on the SWPPI's, Mr. Beaubien stated that he is creating a generic plan that can be easily adjusted for each municipality that does not have one at this time. Mr. Tutsock asked if SVSU would need one of if he was covered under Kochville Township. Mr. Beaubien stated that he would check on this.

D. Preparation of Agenda for May 17<sup>th</sup> General Board Meeting – Standard agenda items plus:

- Auditor's Report
- Jim Koski letter – response to complaint
- Riparian Landowner's brochure
- Generic storm water management plan
- MTA lawsuit update
- Website Committee

E. Other:

Mr. Beaubien showed the committee copies of newsletters that could be distributed, and he asked the Board for their input regarding creating a newsletter for the SASWA. The Board directed Mr. Beaubien to get costs and it would be discussed further at the General Membership Meeting.

Mr. Beaubien also noted that a website meeting should be held, but due to changes in Trustees and their representatives, the Website meeting was down to Mr. Tutsock and Mr. Beaubien. The Board directed Mr. Beaubien to add the Website Committee to the General Membership Meeting Agenda and Mr. Koski could appoint members to serve on the Website Committee at that time.

F. A reminder was given that the May 17<sup>th</sup> General Meeting would be held at the Center Courts Recreation Facility in Saginaw Charter Township.

VIII. Adjournment:

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

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Snyder, Secretary