

SCWA GENERAL MEETING
MINUTES OF
JUNE 19, 2002

Present: Jim Koski, Matt Rappley, *Saginaw County Public Works*; Keith Noble, *MDEQ*; John Malzahn, Dick Dunnill, *Bridgeport Charter Township*; Frank Starkweather, *Bridgeport DDA*; Art Clough, *Bridgeport –Spaulding Community Schools*; Debby Lopez, *Carrollton Township*; Dan Armentrout, *Saginaw County Road Commission*; Rob Grose, Sonny Grunwell, *Saginaw Charter Township*; Michael O’Hare, *Saginaw County Board of Commissioners*; John Premo, *City of Saginaw*; Tim Ader, *Thomas Township*; Warren Davis, *City of Zilwaukee*; Vic Killingbeck, *Buena Vista Charter Township*; Sharon Carroll, *Kochville Township*; Brian Kischnick, *Tittabawassee Township*; Robert Tutsock, *Saginaw Valley State University*; Timothy Applebee, *Saginaw Intermediate School District*; Jim Doyle, *Swan Valley School District*; Linda Sanborn, Allen Veenkant, *Freeland Community School District*; Russ Beaubien, Tammy Shivley, *Spicer Group, Inc.*

Absent: Len Ballosh, *James Township*; Jack Tagget, *Spaulding Township*

I. Roll Call & Introductions: Roll call was followed by introductions. Mr. Koski reviewed the purposes of the SCWA and the impending SASWA, noted that general meetings are held at the Bridgeport Charter Township Hall on the third Wednesday of each month at 2:00, and encouraged members who are new to the SCWA to ask questions at any time. Copies of a memo dated March 22, 2002 which explains the purpose of SCWA were also made available for interested parties.

II. Review of Previous Minutes: The minutes of May 15, 2002 were reviewed. *Matt Rappley moved, supported by John Malzahn, to accept the minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED.*

III. Meeting with School Districts in the Urbanized Area: A meeting for school districts was held at the Saginaw County Governmental Center on May 22, 2002. Few school districts were represented; therefore, the Saginaw Intermediate School District (SISD) invited Mr. Beaubien to meet with school superintendents and provide a brief overview of the three available options. Mr. Koski also indicated that his offer remains open to meet with school districts.

Mr. Beaubien is to send out a follow-up letter regarding the deadline extension for all regulated school districts listed with the SISD. He has received clarification regarding the definition of a campus from the State of Michigan. Schools which are non-regulated will fall under their respective municipality ordinances.

John Premo moved and John Malzahn supported to extend the deadline to September 30, 2002 for school districts to join SCWA. MOTION CARRIED.

Schools need to obtain signatures on resolutions to join the alliance, which guarantees membership in the authority when it is formed. Blank resolutions were distributed for school use. A \$3,000 penalty will be assessed if the deadline is not met.

Mr. Koski informed the SCWA board that the MDEQ is now proposing a new \$3,000 annual fee payable to the State of Michigan, despite the considerable costs municipalities are already incurring to comply with the regulations imposed through the MDEQ. He stated he is adamantly against this annual fee and encouraged members to go to their legislators.

IV. Progress Report:

A. Articles of Incorporation: Changes to the Articles of Incorporation include the addition of Tittabawassee Township and a change in the due date for preparation of a yearly budget. The effective date of the Authority shall be the date upon which all joining municipalities sign the Articles of Incorporation. (Bridgeport, Carrollton, and Zilwaukee have already adopted.)

John Premo moved, Matt Rappley supported, to accept the Articles of Incorporation as written. MOTION CARRIED.

B. Bylaws

Matt Rappley moved, John Malzahn supported, to table discussion regarding the Bylaws for the next regular meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

C. Accounting

John Malzahn moved, Matt Rappley supported, award of a one-year contract to Heritage Accounting on a monthly basis at \$300 per month as the alliance accountant until such time that SASWA becomes a legal entity. MOTION CARRIED.

The account will be established as an exploratory group in the form of a trust account once a federal identification number is established. Invoices will be sent to each entity from the alliance before payment is due.

V. Mapping – New Urbanized Area & Watershed Boundary from 2000 Census Data

- A. New Apportionment:** Mr. Beaubien distributed copies of the draft and revised draft of apportionments for comparative purposes. The apportionment draft shows Saginaw Township's assessment at over 20%. A cap of 15% was proposed with all municipalities who are assessed at over 3% paying a slightly higher percentage to cover the cap. The Road Commission has already volunteered to take 15%. Adjusted apportionments as of 6/13/02 would be: Bridgeport 5.9%, Buena Vista 5.4%, Tittabawassee 5.8%, Carrollton 4.2%, Kochville 5%, Thomas 10.7%. Final apportionments will be determined after September 30th when the membership is finalized.

John Malzahn moved, Matt Rappley supported to place a 15% maximum cap on apportionments for the current fiscal year. MOTION CARRIED.

- B. Overview of Mapping Progress:** Mapping is 95% done. Saginaw County GIS is providing digital data and will begin digital mapping with a target finish date of two weeks. This process is going smoothly. Members will receive the whole map, plus a specific area map. Percentages are based on regulated area and will decrease as schools, and possibly the prison, join.

VI. IDEP Draft

A slide presentation and a review of the revised IDEP draft was provided by Russ Beaubien. His presentation included methods of discovering illicit discharges, prioritization, elimination, minimization of infiltration of seepage from sanitary sewers and on-site disposal systems into separate storm sewer systems, an implementation schedule, requirement of an annual report to SASWA for inclusion into a master report, and measurable goals. Final approval of the IDEP plan was tabled for the next meeting pending suggestions to enhance the plan. We can begin coordination with MDEQ on this plan's approval.

VII. Old Business - None

VIII. New Business – None

IX. Adjournment

Sonny Grunwell moved, Debby Lopez supported, to adjourn the June 19th General Meeting of the SCWA. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Ader, Secretary