

STORMWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

3:30 pm, Thursday, July 12, 2012

1. Call to Order

Present: Jason Scott, Ed Whiting, Debbie Fraser, Steve Stow, Violet Freudenberg

2. Approval of Minutes

3. Old Business

A. PIE Plan Review – Final

- Jason reviewed PIE plan noting goals 13 and 14 added as a measurable way to help show a relationship between water quality education and actual water quality improvement; he also noted that in the new permit first inch of rain must be managed on site – infiltrated, evapo- transpired or collected (via rain garden, cistern, detention basin, etc.); has to be shown on the plan and will become active once we approve new stormwater document
- Acre or larger must be permitted by town/state
- Rainwater garden becoming popular way to manage although clay soil makes it difficult
- Cisterns not as dependent on landscaping so may used more often
- TWRA gave grant for tree planting – future tree granting will try and incorporate follow up with participants; suggestions were made like including e-mail addresses from participants that could be used to survey tree(s) survival, etc., for data purposes

4. New Business

- A. New member welcome and introduction of committee members were done at the start of the meeting; - membership for Stormwater Committee(SAC) openings were discussed as well as recommendations/requirements for members; Jason Mann from TDEC water pollution control considering a position; need for a plant specialist addressed
- B. Jason provided background on Cambell Station Road park (adjacent to Farragut High School) for Steve: goal is to convert area to outdoor classroom using grant; involve community/schools and incorporate water quality educational aspects for community outreach); grant is approved and funded in part
- C. Jason also provided background information/explanation for new member on Phase 2 MS4 (10- 100K state permit) implementing stormwater management program/educational outreach (part of Clean Water Act) SAC role to advise town staff on program development and make recommendations; big revision in Stormwater document being revised that SAC will review fo

Idea behind permit to protect water quality..... (flooding regulated by FEMA) some overlap however –

- D. Jason pointed out article in Farragut Press about new Americorp member Chris Woudstra and need for clarification on idea of his “lobbying” the town – article heading misleading/confusing

(water permit requires mapping which is what former Americorp member, Josh, focused on; Chris will be involved more with Adopt-a-Stream – advocate for program – would like to adopt out majority of our stream base)

E. Enforcement Response Plan Review

- SAC has good track record –have had 2-3 appeals since 2008 - most people fix the problem/pay for it
- Steps of enforcement: Jason simplified notice of violation letter from 2 to 1 page; clarifications include a notice of noncompliance and use of point system as assessed by inspector; if minor violations would give word of warning or letter, more serious problems might involve a letter and point(s) assessed – finally leading to bill; state law allows penalty to be assessed
- Jason clarified aquatic buffer concept – part of Clean Water Act; 25 ft top of stream bank of 100 yr flood current guideline , 65 ft in new document: we are determining which is more restrictive; stream has to have shown aquatic buffer when plans are submitted (also wetlands)
- In TDEC permit considerations are given for circumstantial modifiers (like a < 1 acre site may be modified in terms of assessing fines – adjust points accordingly; subsequent violations acquire points/accumulate points
- Steve added that point the document include appeals should be made in writing; Jason will add that the appeal must be in writing within 30 days of notice
- Steve note that a geological map done in early 1980's for town of Farragut that, if used, can avoid issues of sink holes'; town's awareness of the maps existence not clear; city paid for map and would find it helpful; seems something we would want layered into our GIS system – Steve said is essential for well planned community;(Ken Walker was UT professor associated with this)

5. Confirm date of next meeting – all

(The Second Thursday in August is the 9th at, 3:30pm)

6. Adjourn Meeting adjourned: 4:48 p.m.

Enforcement Report

of Open NOVs # of Closed NOVs # Total Civil Penalties Assessed Collected

Location of Open NOVs Outstanding) Open Lost Assessments Bankruptcy, Sale, Etc.