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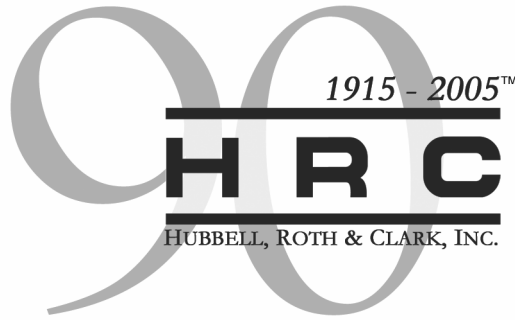
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MEETING MINUTES
Livingston County Phase II Watershed Groups
Meeting No. 21

Date: 3/11/05
Time: 9:00am
Meeting Held: Green Oak Twp Hall

HRC Job No. 20030566

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Introduction

Jacy Paul welcomed the group.

Intergovernmental Agreement for PEP/IDEP/PIP Implementation

Becky Simpson passed around the intergovernmental agreement [for the Drain Commissioner’s office to handle dissemination of public education materials, as well as providing aid in implementing the illicit discharge elimination and public involvement plans] for signatures. Those community members that were not present will be contacted individually for signatures. Signing this agreement does not bind any community to having to utilize the Drain Commissioner’s office for these tasks, but the agreement provides the mechanism to be able to do that.

Livingston County Homeshow

Becky announced that the County will be putting up their large watershed display at the Livingston County Homeshow being held Fri-Sunday, April 1st-3rd. Becky solicited volunteers to man the display during the time slots for all three days. A sign-up sheet was passed around.

Participation in this event is also listed in each of the Public Participation Plans (PPP) submitted to the MDEQ in May of last year. As such, volunteering to man the booth will fulfill the requirement of

completing this task. Other volunteer/contribution efforts would come in the way of donating brochures (SEMCOG “Seven Simple Steps . . .”) for the display.

Becky requested that at least one person being available to man the booth would be ideal. The event is being held at the Howell High School Fieldhouse (maps were distributed):

- Friday, April 1st from 5:00pm to 9:00pm;
- Saturday, April 2nd, from 10:00am to 8:00pm;
- Sunday, April 3rd, from 10:00am to 4:00pm.

Please contact Becky (rsimpson@co.livingston.mi.us) to volunteer your time or materials.

Livingston Clean Waterfest 2005

Becky announced that the plans have been solidified to have the first ever Livingston County River Day event during “River Week” which runs from June 4th to June 11th. It will be called “Livingston Clean Waterfest 2005.”

The event will be held at the Howell City Park during Free Fishing Weekend on Saturday, June 11th. Admission to the park will be free for the entire day.

Becky solicited input on events that could take place during the day, along with the details involved in having a fishing tournament on Thompson Lake (from the shore). A representative from Howell Township will help Becky with the finer details of this event. Some other activities discussed for the day included:

- Tour of the MHOG Wastewater Treatment Facility (Kelly Kolakowski of Genoa Twp will confirm)
- Placement of Watershed Signs during that weekend
- Drain Stenciling/Markers

Roughly fifteen (15) other organizations will also be set up at the event (such as MDEQ, Ducks Unlimited, Livingston Land Conservancy, MSU-Extension, etc.).

Various sponsors and donors to the event have already been contacted. Donations such as gift certificates will be given out at the event from local area vendors and attendees will get a t-shirt to commemorate the day. Sponsors of the event would be printed on the back of the t-shirt.

It’s estimated that approximately 300 people will attend this event.

IDEP Training

Becky notified the group that Livingston County may partner with the Wayne County Department of Environment (Department) to host an Illicit Discharge Elimination Program (IDEP) training session probably some time in April. If enough participants sign up, the Department would arrange a training session locally. An alternative would be if the Department hosts their own training session at a facility

near them (in Wayne County). Either way, a training opportunity will be available soon for community members that need to get training underway to fulfill the task requirement outlined in their IDEP. Becky will keep communities posted on the developments of this.

SEMCOG Materials

Becky brought along some additional materials available from SEMCOG regarding their Seven Simple Steps to Clean Water campaign. They have available for purchase water bottles and frisbees, as well as pens and magnets, which would be great to have as give-aways at public ed. events.

Other Items of Interest

- Mark St. Charles of Green Oak Township indicated that he recently came across an excellent educational website regarding storm water management. It's a site through Oregon State University. Mark indicated that he would forward the link via email to the rest of the group. Mark also purchased a video entitled "After the Rain". It was \$9.00. Mark is checking to see if there's any problem with utilizing the video on their local cable access channel. He will let the group know what he finds out if others are interested in this program.
- Mike Gaden of the MSU-Extension office notified the group that they are sponsoring a **Soil Testing Program** that will offer residents to drop off samples to local retailers on **April 2nd, 9th and 16th** between **9am to 3pm**. Mike distributed a list of local retailers that will accept samples. Advertisement of this program would be perfect at the Livingston County Homeshow.
 - The cost for sample analysis is \$15 and the results will indicate pH, nutrient content, soil type, organic matter content and will also include written recommendations especially for that resident's soil.
 - For additional information, contact MSU-Ext. at 517.546.3950.
- Mike Gaden gave an update on the planning for the **Watershed Short Course** scheduled to begin in May. Mike is still looking additional sponsors of \$500 each towards the program. Mike will email a copy of the sponsorship details to the group. Mike indicated that the planning is coming along very well and they've enlisted an excellent variety of speakers to present for the two sessions offered for the short course. Again, involvement in the watershed short course will also fulfill a component of each participating community's Public Education Plans (PEP).
- Jacy Paul gave the group an update on the PCB clean up efforts on the South Branch Shiawassee River in the vicinity of Howell as a result of a contamination event in the late 1970's. The Detroit News featured an article on the latest developments. The article can be viewed at:

<http://www.detnews.com/2005/livingston/0503/10/C05L-113287.htm>

The article stated that the company that now owns the former contamination site has agreed to pay \$1.7 million to reimburse cleanup costs incurred by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency from cleanup efforts done in 1986. Nearly \$3 million was spent on clean up costs up to that point. Localized "hot spots" still existed after that initial clean up effort, as such, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) has begun follow-up cleanup of these hotspots. Work began in

November last year, but had to be postponed due to high water conditions. Work will start up again this summer. The MDEQ hopes to remove an additional 1,000 cubic feet of contaminated sediment by summer's end.

Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled watershed groups meeting will be **Friday, April 8th at 9:00am** at Green Oak Township Hall.

These minutes are intended to be a summary of those items discussed. Any corrections and/or comments should be noted to the writer as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

HUBBELL, ROTH & CLARK, INC.

Jacy L. Paul

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pc: All present
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