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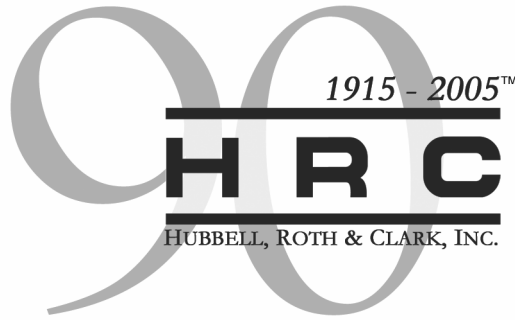
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MEETING MINUTES
Livingston County Phase II Watershed Groups
Meeting No. 22

Date: 4/8/05
Time: 9:00am
Meeting Held: Green Oak Twp Hall

HRC Job No. 20030566

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Introduction

Jacy Paul of HRC welcomed the group.

Public Education Materials

- **2006 Watershed Calendar:**
 - Deadline for orders is April 15th. Cost is \$1.00 each (at the most—cost goes down with bulk orders) and requires a minimum of 1,500 copies per community..
 - There should be enough communities on board to have the Shiawassee River watershed map added to the calendar (minimum of 10,000 combined order copies of the calendar are needed for this to happen for the South Branch Shiawassee communities).
 - If communities have not budgeted for the calendars this fiscal year, the next calendar will be coming out in 2008—interested communities should plan on budgeting for this public education material in their 2007 budgets.

- **Livingston County Homeshow Turnout:**
 - Attendance at the Homeshow booth for distribution of watershed materials was a success. A good amount of the landscaping for water quality booklets and some of the SEMCOG brochures were taken.
 - The “Green Machine” composting bin received a high amount of interest from visitors. Many residents indicated that they plan to purchase a bin in the coming month at local retailers.
 - The group would like to have a presence at next year’s Homeshow with the hopes of getting a booth on the main floor and making the name of the group larger and more noticeable. The group also considered having some sort of “giveaway” to draw additional interest.

- **Soil Test Brochures and Livingston Clean Waterfest** handouts were distributed for communities to put out at various locations.
 - Becky indicated that there are three (3) sponsors for the waterfest so far—ideally she’d like to have six (6) sponsors total. Qualifications for sponsorship of the event amounts to contributions of \$500.

- **Drain Markers (Alternative to Drain Stencils)**
 - Becky passed around sample drain markers that are self-adhesive and last up to 80% longer than traditional stencils after three (3) years time. They are available for purchase for \$1.20 to \$1.65 each, depending on quantities ordered. Becky will email the link out for contact information. The company will send out an information packet with ordering information for those that request it.

- **SEMCOG Tips in Livingston County Press & Argus**
 - Becky showed the group examples of the tips advertising the “Seven Simple Steps to Clean Water Campaign” that are being published every Friday of the week for a year free of charge. Each Phase II community will be able to get credit for this activity in implementation of their Public Education Plans (PEP).

Intergovernmental Agreement for PEP/IDEP 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 plan] for signatures not yet received from members. Becky also asked that members that have not given their signatures yet to please contact her to organize getting the signature. Provided Becky has all the signatures on the agreement by the next meeting, she can distribute a fully executed contract by the next watershed group meeting.

IDEP Training

Becky notified the group that the Wayne County Department of Environment will be hosting an IDEP training session in Canton Township in May. The cost per person will be \$50.00. Becky will email information to group members as soon as additional information is available.

Question/Answer Period for NPDES Phase II Storm Water Permit Requirements

The group was asked if they had any specific questions that needed clarification regarding permit responsibilities related to the Phase II stormwater permit. No questions were brought up, but general comments were made to the group regarding general commitments:

- **Budgeting:**
 - A fair amount of confusion has centered around budgeting for the PEP and IDEP programs.
 - Communities were reminded that they need to tailor their budgeting specifically to the amount of activities they have selected to implement in their individual PEP and IDEP. The cost estimates that the LCDC provided to communities for implementation was basically a one-size fits all budget—this will not apply to most of the communities that have fewer storm sewer outfalls to inspect, or that have selected fewer public education initiatives to implement. Becky is available to answer any community-specific questions on budget issues at any time.
 - Bill Stone added that a good estimate to go by for the dry-weather screening portion of the IDEP is \$600 per outfall (not including costs for sampling and analysis if dry-weather flow is present).
- **Schools:**
 - The question was brought up as to the status of school districts that have not obtained their own stormwater permit or requested to be added to the respective community's general permit.
 - Bill Stone noted that the MDEQ is finding this to be an issue across the board and compliance (or lack thereof) will be the sole responsibility of the MDEQ to follow-up on.
 - Bill also noted that some school districts have received jurisdictional permits where others have signed on to the watershed-based permit, or opted to be added to a community's existing permit in some instances.
- **PEP/IDEP Response Letters:**
 - At present, the Livingston County communities and agencies have not received any comment form the MDEQ on their PEP and IDEP submitted on November 1, 2004. Bill Stone noted that he will contact Cheryl Bartley of the MDEQ to check on the status of comments.
 - If and when comments are received by the communities and agencies, it was requested that copies of the comments are forwarded to Chris Riggs, Bill Stone, and Becky Simpson.
 - Bill Stone noted that SEMCOG and the Clinton River Watershed Council (CRWC) are meeting with the head of the Water Bureau at MDEQ next week to discuss a "southeast Michigan" group response to the comments that were received by many other communities in the Phase II program in other watersheds.
 - The desired outcome of this meeting is that the MDEQ will provide more flexibility in the requirements of the PEP and IDEP contents and allow for more of the regulatory, enforceable information to be addressed by the Annual Report

and/or Storm Water Pollution Prevention Initiatives (SWPPIs) that each community submits yearly.

Other Items of Interest

- Mike Gaden indicated that the **Watershed Short Course** is scheduled to begin on May 16th, 2005. Mike brought along brochures for communities to take and distribute. Mike also distributed a poster advertising the course. Contact Mike at 517.546.3950 or email at gadenm@msue.msu.edu with any questions.
- Chris Riggs noted that the “State of the Huron Conference” is scheduled for May 6th, 2005. It is an all day event. The agenda has not been finalized for the event; Chris will email the details regarding the event as soon as they’re available.

Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled watershed groups meeting will be **Friday, May 13th 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.

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