



STORMWATER COALITION MEETING
Thursday, May 1, 2008
TMACOG BOARD ROOM
MINUTES

Call to Order/Welcome/Introductions: Mr. Keith Earley, Vice-Chair of the Stormwater Coalition, and Lucas County Engineer, called the meeting to order. Members present and the organizations they represented were so noted by the attendance roster. Non-members present and the organizations they represent are also so noted by the Guest Stormwater Attendance Roster. Round table introductions were made.

Minutes: A motion was made by Brian Miller, Lucas County Engineer to approve the minutes from the May 1, 2008 meeting. Motion was seconded by Marcus Ricci, Lucas SWCD. Motion carried.

Financial Report: A review of the *2006 Stormwater Coalition Cost Distribution* report was summarized by Kurt Erichsen, TMACOG. Kurt stated the expenditures of finances are keeping in check with where the committee needs to be at this time. We are approx. 49% into the year, with 42% of the budget remaining.

FEMA Community Rating System (CRS) Report Update – Office of the County Engineer: The Floodplain meeting took place on the morning of July 10, 2008. By Friday, July 18th the floodplain maps will be available digitally for Lucas County and the City of Toledo. The maps will be posted on the City's website for public review. There will be two public meetings held to discuss the maps, one has been scheduled in September and will be advertised, for comment. There is a 90 day appeal process. Depending on public comments and reviews, the maps could become official in a year or so. An anticipated adoption date is between June 2009 and December 2009. By the time the maps are complete, the City and County is hoping to have the CRS discounts in place. This discount will be about 10% off flood insurance.

Stormwater Standards Manual – Travis Andres – Travis Andres, Stormwater Coalition intern TMACOG, explained the need for updating the current manual. Most important changes throughout the manual are the wordings, from "shalls" to "shoulds" and from "prescriptive" to "guidance." In a handout provided to the committee along with a powerpoint presentation, Travis Andres went over the some of the changes to the Standards Manual which included an Executive Summary, a new chapter on Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination and chapter by chapter summaries. The Stormwater Manual will be available on TMACOG's website for review and comments. Stormwater Coalition members are asked to review and comment by August 15, 2008. A formal edition will be presented to the council at the September meeting for approval. Vice-Chair, Keith Earley, Lucas County Engineer, thanked Travis Andres, TMACOG, Marcus Ricci, Lucas SWCD and Jason Sisco, Wood County for their dedication and effort in rewriting the manual. Any questions or comments can be directed to them or Kurt Erichsen, TMACOG.

Erosion and Sediment Control – Dan Ross, Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Mr. Ross explained to the committee the Certified Professional In Erosion and Sediment Control, Inc. program which he offers. Introduced were Mark McCabe, and Cheryl Rice. Ms. Rice is the local NRCS representative who offers specific training for city's, townships etc. This program certifies professionals who are technically qualified in the erosion and sediment control and stormwater quality fields. The programs topics include construction and post construction practices, interfacing with builders and developers to name of few. The workshop is from 8am to 4pm. The actual test for certification given at a later date – it is a 5 hour test costing \$150.00. You do not have to take test. Kurt Erichsen suggested this is something SWAG could host and will look into setting up. More specific information to follow.

Stormwater Internship – There is a position open for a Stormwater Internship within TMACOG. Kurt Erichsen, TMACOG reported to the committee that the position is for one year and approx. 20 hours per week. So far seven resumes have been received. Should someone know of a qualified candidate, please encourage them to apply.

Kurt would like to have the position filled by August 31, 2008.

Kurt Erichsen, TMACOG and Keith Earley, Lucas County Engineer informed the committee that Travis Andres would be leaving TMACOG as of July 11th, and thanked him for all the hard work he has done, especially in revising the Stormwater manual. He will be missed.

Environmental Protection Agency – Lynette Habiltzel, Ohio EPA NWDO reported to the committee some of the common compliance issues that are not being done properly. Some of these include, proper ordinances, gaps in MS4's in residential parcels and construction and post construction illicit discharge procedures not being in place to name a few.

Adjournment/Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Stormwater Coalition is scheduled for September 4, 2008.

Meeting adjourned on motion.