



Nippersink Creek Watershed Planning Committee

c/o McHenry County Soil and Water Conservation District
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Minutes-Corrected/Approved February 5, 2009

Meeting of the Nippersink Creek Watershed Planning Committee **for January 15, 2008, at the Alden Township Office, 8515 Alden Road, Harvard, IL at 7:00 PM.**

Members Present: Cindy Skrukud, Orrin Bangert, Dan Wilson, Tom Cooper, Randy Stowe, Dick Hilton

Visitors: None

- I Minutes of November 6, 2008 approved on a motion by Cindy Skrukud, second by Tom Cooper
- II **Treasurers Report:** Orrin Bangert reported a 2008 balance of \$8,579.96
- III **Public Comments/Correspondence:** None
- IV **Unfinished Business:**
 - A. **Hackmatack update:** Cindy Skrukud reported that the committee was preparing a request to present Representative Melissa Bean for a study of the area to determine its eligibility to qualify as a national wildlife refuge.
 - B. **Vogel Farm Development Update:** Dick Hilton reported that the McHenry County Board has acted in July to rezone this property as Estate (E-3).
 - C. **Status-Registration of NCWPC with www.grants.gov** Hilton reported that we are presently waiting for the D & B Registration number needed to proceed with the registration.
 - D. **Phosphorus Ordinance for Village of Wonder Lake:** Randy Stowe reported that representative ordinances have been resubmitted to the Village President for review and possible action.
 - E. **Update - Thirtyacre Rezoning request:** Dick Hilton reported that the application for rezoning this property to a business classification by McHenry County was withdrawn in November.
 - F. **Status of 319 Grants (Watershed Mgr./Social Assess.):** Randy Stowe reported that the two pending 319 grants have been reviewed by the IL EPA and would seem to meet the criteria for funding but that no final determination has been made. It was also noted that the IL EPA is waiting for notification of the funds that will be available for 2009 to fund 319 program eligible projects.
 - G. **Funding for Wonder Lake Restoration Project:** Dick Hilton reported that the Village of Wonder Lake conducted a required hearing on the SSA to fund the Lake Restoration program and that opponents had until Feb. 16, 2009 to submit petitions opposing the proposed taxing district.
 - H. **Adopting Watershed & Greenway Plans (SWCD):** Dick Hilton reported that the McHenry County SWCD has agreed to allot time on their Feb. 3, 2009 Board meeting to allow for a presentation and possible consideration of a resolution to endorse the Nippersink Watershed and Greenway plans.

On a related note, Randy Stowe agreed to draft a letter to Dennis Sandquist, Director of McHenry County P&D Dept. Randy's letter to request meeting to review with Mr. Sandquist the updated watershed and greenway plans.

It is planned that after the meeting with Dennis Sandquist Cindy Skrukud will draft a letter to Mary McCann, Chair of the new McHenry County Environmental committee and Mark Phipps, McHenry County Stormwater for the purpose of offering to meet with them to review with them the updated watershed and greenway plans.

V New Business

- A. **Annual website maintenance fee:** On a motion by Tom Cooper, Dan Wilson 2nd, the committee approved a payment of \$400 to cover our web site services for 2009.
- B. **Watershed Plan Presentation (Feb. 27 - Ken Fiske):** Dick Hilton advised that there is a request for a presentation coming from the SWCD and that additional info will be coming from Trustee Ken Fiske.
- C. **Genoa city Stormwater Outfall Plans:** Cindy Skrukud reported that she received information concerning construction of a stormwater outfall into the Nippersink Creek at Genoa city, WI. Cindy will draft a letter to WI DNR expressing our concerns and also invite Genoa City resident Elizabeth Lyons to participate as a member of our planning committee.

VI Next Meeting

Next meeting Proposed for February 5, 2009 – 7:00 p.m.

VII Adjournment

On a motion by Tom Cooper, 2nd by Dan Wilson, the committee meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.