NORTH CENTRAL WISCONSIN STORMWATER COALITION
Minutes
July 28, 2011

Present: Diane Wessel-Marathon County, Valerie Parker-Village of Weston, Sean Gehin-City of Wausau, Tim Vergara-Village of Rothschild, Kevin King-City of Schofield, Kevin Breit-City of Mosinee, Tom Turchi-City of Marshfield,

Absent/Excused: George Schau-City of Merrill, Sean VonBergen-Village of Kronenwetter, Joe Eichsteadt-City of Wisconsin Rapids, Scott Schatschneider-Town of Rib Mountain, Alex Saunders-City of Stevens Point,

Others: Kevin Lang-Highway; Kurt Schoen-AECOM; Tonia Speener-Becher Hoppe

1. Call to Order.
The agenda being been properly signed and posted, the meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Wessel in Room 2, 212 River Drive, Wausau, WI.

Motion / second by Gehin / Breit to approve the minutes of the June 23, 2011 meeting. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.

Wessel distributed the outreach and education plan expense report. The report does not yet include costs for rain barrels and plants, which is estimated about $2,800. One hundred 55 gallon rain barrels and thirty 40 gallon rain barrels have been purchased, all food-grade. Hardware for the barrels still needs to be purchased. Consensus that rain barrels should not be sold to individuals outside of the workshops, to not set a precedent. Refer interested buyers to barrel sources.

A. Budget Report.
See above.

B. Commercial.
Commercial is at Channel 7 for editing. It will get an equal amount of time, whether both this fall and next spring, or all next spring/summer.

C. Rain Gardens.
Communities can pick up their plants from Kris Tiles-UWEX. In the next 1-2 weeks 4 municipal rain gardens should be installed. Signs are in the process of being ordered. Prices were lower than expected for the plants, but higher than expected for the signs. Wessel will check into the proposed size of the signs.

D. Farm Technology Days.
Wessel reported that the Farm Technology Days displays were very well received, and everything went smoothly. Attendance estimates for the event were around 60,000. A drawing was held each of the three days for a rain barrel, with +/- 277 entries. Along with the rain barrel/rain garden display there was an enviro-scape model which models watershed, and a groundwater model.

E. Rain Barrel Workshops.
More workshops will be scheduled after the Wisconsin Valley Fair. King said that two sessions are planned in Schofield. Wausau has a tentative workshop on August 15th. The costs of the workshop will be calculated after all supplies have been purchased. Parker said that Weston had 70+ in attendance at an educational rainbarrel seminar.
5. **Technical Staff Advisory Committee.**
   
   **A.** NR 151 SUBCHAPTER III – NON-AGRICULTURAL PERFORMANCE STANDARDS:
   
   - NR151.105: CONSTRUCTION SITE PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR NON PERMITTED SITES;
   - NR151.11: CONSTRUCTION SITE PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR SITES OF 1 ACRE OR MORE;
   - NR151.121: POST CONSTRUCTION PERFORMANCE STANDARDS;
   - NR151.122: TOTAL SUSPENDED SOLIDS PERFORMANCE STANDARDS
   
   The Advisory Committee needs additional time to review the above performance standards and will provide a summary/cheat sheet upon completion of their review.

6. **Announcements.**

   Upcoming topics: start a review and update of the Memorandum of Agreement; review of permit requirements and testing schedules (probably in fall).

   Wisconsin Emergency Management may have grant monies available for projects tied into flooding issues.

7. **Next Meeting Date/Agenda – August 25, 2011.**

   Consensus reached that the next meeting scheduled for August 25, 2011. Both of the Advisory Committees will meet prior to the Coalition meeting.

8. **Adjourn.**

   There being no further business to come before the Committee, motion / second by King / Vegara to adjourn the meeting at 10:42 a.m. Motion carried by voice vote, no dissent.

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   Diane Wessel
   Conservation, Planning and Zoning
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