Present: Diane Wessel-Marathon County, Michael Wodalski -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, George Schau-City of Merrill, Alex Saunders-City of Stevens Point

Absent/Excused: Sean VonBergen-Village of Kronenwetter, Joe Eichsteadt-City of Wisconsin Rapids, Scott Schatschneider-Town of Rib Mountain

Others: Valerie Parker-Village of Weston, Kurt Schoen-AECOM

1. Call to Order.
The agenda being been properly signed and posted, the meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Wessel in Room 2, 212 River Drive, Wausau, WI.

Action: MOTION / SECOND BY KING / BREIT TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 28, 2011 MEETING. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.

Discussion: The outreach and education plan expense report was distributed. The report does not yet include costs for the recent rain barrels workshops, rain garden plants, or commercial (est. $3,680). Municipal dues for 2012 are $1,000/community and the communities will be invoiced.
Action: NONE TAKEN AT THIS TIME.
Follow Through: The expense report will be updated to include the costs for the rain barrel workshops, rain garden plants, and commercial. The communities will be invoiced in December for 2012 dues.

Discussion: This TAC did not meet in August or September. However, it will meet before the next meeting to develop a list of accomplishments, review the Education and Outreach (E/O) Plan, and possibly begin to develop a work program for 2012. As part of the review of the E/O Plan, untargeted audiences may be identified along with recommendations and related costs for 2012 activities.
Action: NONE TAKEN AT THIS TIME.
Follow Through: Communities are to send Wessel information regarding any activities. A meeting of the Water Education Technical Advisory Committee is to be scheduled sometime before the next Coalition meeting.

A. Commercial.
Discussion: The commercial started to run 9/9/11 at Cedar Creek Cinema and will continue for 4 weeks; it will run for 12 weeks in 2012. Interest expressed about running the commercial at the Merrill theatre.
Action: NONE TAKEN AT THIS TIME.
Follow Through: Wessel to e-mail Schau the commercial.

B. Rain Gardens.
Discussion: Rain gardens have been constructed in Wausau, Rothschild and Stevens Point; Marshfield has installed the additional plants the city purchased. Mosinee and Merrill are interested in constructing rain gardens in 2012. Mosinee’s may be included as part of a larger project and Merrill needs to check with the park department regarding a location. Communities
are to contact Tiles for assistance with garden design and plant choices; the communities are responsible for site preparation and plant installation. Signs were briefly discussed; information regarding garden plants is available on various internet sites.

**Action:** NONE TAKEN AT THIS TIME.

**Follow Through:** Wessel to contact Tiles regarding signs for Wausau, Stevens Point and Rothschild.

5. **Technical Staff Advisory Committee.**

**Discussion:** A League of Municipalities article was read regarding urban performance standards and repeal of the legislation. The requirement for municipal wide reduction by 40% by 2013 was being repealed. Communities should be aware that the Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) new stormwater regulations should be available by the end of 2012 and the Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL) process on the Wisconsin River is to be completed by 2015. Both of these may have impacts on the communities.

**Action:** NONE TAKEN AT THIS TIME.

**Follow Through:** Schoen to review the pending legislation and report back. The Technical Staff Advisory Committee will meet immediately following the November Coalition meeting.

A. **Update on MS4 Permit Requirement.**

**Discussion:** The Village of Weston’s MS4 Compliance Schedule Summary – Checklist spreadsheet was distributed. Marathon County is not in compliance. Community status was requested. Each community’s program should identify the frequency and method of testing outfalls.

**Action:** NONE TAKEN AT THIS TIME.

**Follow Through:** Wessel to e-mail the MS4 Compliance Schedule Summary spreadsheet to the members for their use.

6. **Announcements.**

No announcements were made.

7. **Next Meeting Date/Agenda – October 27, 2011.**

**Action:** CONSENSUS REACHED THAT THE NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED WILL BE NOVEMBER 10, 2011 AT 10:00 AM AT A LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED.

8. **Adjourn.**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, MOTION / SECOND BY SCHAU / VEGARA TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 10:42 A.M. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.

Submitted by: Diane Wessel
Conservation, Planning and Zoning
October 25, 2011
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