Present: Diane Wessel (Marathon County), Michael Wodalski (V-Weston), Sean Gehin (C-Wausau), Tim Vergara (V-Rothschild), Alex Saunders (C-Stevens Point), Scott Schatschneider (T-Rib Mountain), Sean VonBergen (V-Kronenwetter), Kevin Breit (C-Mosinee)  
Absent/Excused: Kevin King (C-Schofield), Joe Eichsteadt (C-Wisconsin Rapids), Tom Turchi (C-Marshfield)  
Others: Kevin Lang (Highway), Valerie Parker (V-Weston), Kurt Schoen (AECOM)  

1. Call to Order.  
The agenda being been properly signed and posted, the meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Wessel in Room 2, 212 River Drive, Wausau, WI.  

Action: MOTION / SECOND BY WESSEL / VERGARA TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 10, 2011 MEETING. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.  

A. 2011 Educational Programs Completed  
Discussion: A list of the activities completed in 2011 was distributed. The City of Wausau’s rain garden will be added to the list and it will be re-circulated after review by the communities for any missed activities.  
Action: NONE TAKEN AT THIS TIME.  
Follow Through: The list is to be re-circulated and used by the communities when completing their annual reports.  
B. 2012 Educational Work Program.  
Discussion: The outline of the proposed 2012 Education and Outreach Work Program was distributed. Audiences to be addressed were:  
- Municipal employees, consultant, developers, and home builders;  
- Local officials;  
- General public;  
- Municipal government, DNR.  
2011 activities to be carried over to 2012:  
- Rain gardens, the commercial running at theaters late spring through summer, and the Wisconsin River Cleanup;  
- Rain barrel workshops will be held when staff is available.  
Municipal staff will be responsible for educational activities for their elected officials; a power point presentation developed for County committees is available to the communities to be modified as appropriate to the community. The technical advisory work group will be responsible for the development of a checklist to help the communities ensure that stormwater requirements and BMPs are being met. The education and outreach work group is responsible for the updating of the Education and Outreach Plan, including a current list of participating communities and activities. The annual contribution and billing process was briefly discussed; the contribution is subject to an annual review.  
Action: NONE TAKEN AT THIS TIME.  
Follow Through: The education and outreach work group will finalize the 2012 work plan.
4. **Technical Staff Advisory Committee.**

**Discussion:** This work group will be meeting following the Coalition’s meeting to continue to work on the checklist. A bulleted list of regulation changes could be developed along with a brief explanation on the reasons / purpose of the stormwater regulations to further elected officials’ understanding of compliance issues for their municipalities.

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

**Follow Through:** Information for the bulleted list is to be sent to Wessel; the County’s presentation to be updated and distributed to the members.

5. **Announcements.**

**The Lake Wausau Association:**
- Meeting today at 6 pm to discuss fund raising for a water quality study;
- The DNR grant requires a local match of $33,000 – Lake Association $8,000, Rib Mountain $5,000, other metro area communities in an undetermined amount;
- The City of Wausau has sponsored a request for County Environmental Impact Funds to help fund the local match for the study, an amount not to exceed $16,500.
- The County’s Environmental Resources Committee will consider this request at its 1/24/12 meeting with the County’s Finance, Property and Facilities Committee making the final decision;
- The Coalition’s goals and educational activities will be discussed with the Lake Association.

Demonstration props available to the communities include:
- Enviro-scape models – 4 watershed models
- 4 groundwater models;
- The “little house” model which includes rain gutters and rain barrel.

**The DNR’s Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) study of the Wisconsin River:**
- Study encompasses the entire Wisconsin River;
- Partnered with UW-Stevens point for data collection;
- The Army Corp of Engineers will be doing the modeling;
- Anticipated completion by 2014-2015;
- An open house to be held in March 2012 at UW-Stevens Point.

6. **Next Meeting Date/Agenda.**

**Action:** **CONSENSUS REACHED THAT THE NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE COALITION WILL BE ON FEBRUARY 23, 2012 AT 10:00 AM AT A LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED.**

7. **Adjourn.**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, **MOTION / SECOND BY BREIT / SAUNDERS TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 10:40 A.M. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.**

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