

Stormwater Coalition of Tompkins County

Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2014

Attendees: Darby Kiley, Scott Gibson, Barry Goodrich, Lynn Leopold, Brent Cross, Marty Moseley, John Lampman

The Tompkins County Soil and Water Conservation District contract with the coalition was renewed. Darby Kiley made the motion to approve the contract for 2015, Lynn Leopold seconded it and all attending members voted in favor.

Angel spoke about her meeting with Julie Melancon regarding this year's NYSDEC Stormwater Audits. The points discussed are listed in the 2014 MS4 Audit document that was emailed out to coalition members. Coalition members discussed the need to map their sewersheds and a possible combined mapping effort. Angel is going to speak to Creig Hebdon about how the Town of Ithaca mapped their sewersheds and a sewershed mapping effort for coalition members. Coalition members also expressed interest in including flow/volume to culverts in the sewershed mapping effort. Angel also notified the coalition members that she is reviewing and editing the Stormwater Management Program Plan that she developed for the County. This SWMP Plan could be used as a template by other municipalities in the Coalition. Also, since the coalition works on MCM 1 and MCM 2 together, the content for MCM 1 and 2 could be copied directly.

Angel discussed that there are FL-LOWPA funds available for stormwater training and mentioned two trainings that she thought might be of interest. The stormwater workshop offered by the Cornell Local Roads Program was discussed. The workshop is geared towards highway staff and Angel asked for input on when a training should be offered. Coalition members suggested that a winter training would work best. A Trimble training was also discussed. This training would be given by WayPoint Technologies and provide training on Trimble equipment that some of the municipalities and the Soil and Water Conservation District have. This training would enable more personnel to use the equipment effectively for tasks such as outfall mapping. Coalition members also expressed interested in a NYS Stormwater Management Design Manual training, as the manual is being updated.

Darby provided an update on Wetlands Mapping for the Town of Dryden Pilot Project. The mapping effort is complete and 5,641 acres of wetlands were mapped. In comparison, the NYSDEC wetland map includes 2,195 acres and the National Wetlands Inventory maps 3,594 acres of wetlands. She is working with the contractor to determine how best to distribute the map layer. Darby also mentioned that the Cayuga Lake Watershed Network, with help from the WRC Wetlands Committee, was awarded a \$25,000 grant from the Park Foundation and \$6,800 from Tompkins County to continue the wetlands mapping effort for the rest of the Tompkins County.

Angel passed on the uncompleted WQIP tasks list to coalition members and asked for input on what tasks they would like to complete.

Angel discussed the low turnout of the Green Infrastructure Tour with coalition members and asked for input on whether or not to continue scheduling these events. Brent Cross mentioned that there are two projects installing pervious pavement in the Village of Cayuga Heights and that these sites could be added to the tour should we continue it in the future. Coalition members agreed that unless we can get greater involvement, we should hold off on scheduling another event.

***Please remember, the Coalition purchased two training videos, one on good housekeeping and one on IDDE. Please let me know if you would like to sign them out, they are in my office!

Our next meeting is scheduled for January 21st at 1:30 pm.