

# Carroll County Water Resource Coordination Council

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## WRCC Meeting Summary October 22, 2014

### **Attendees:**

Frank Schaeffer	Perry Jones	Tom Devilbiss	Ed Singer
Dawn Ashbacher	Monika Weierbach	Brenda Dinne	Glenn Edwards
Rose Mann	Jim Wieprecht	Steve Miller	Dick Swanson
Janet O'Meara	Gale Engles	Tammi Ledley	Byron Madigan

The meeting was called to order by Frank Schaeffer at 2:30.

October 1, 2014, minutes were approved as written.

### **November & December Meetings**

It was decided that the November and December would be combined, because of the holidays, and held on December 3 at 2:30. Information on where the meeting will be held will be sent out before the meeting.

### **Water Appropriation "Brinkley Bill" Revised Regulations**

Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) did not approve Carroll County's request for extension for comments on the Draft Regulations Water Appropriation or Use and Guidance Document (due October 20, 2014). A letter, signed by Frank Schaeffer, and comments from the Water Resource Coordination Council (WRCC) were sent to MDE on October 20, 2014.

### **November 17 WIP Workshop**

Maryland Department of Planning (MDP) is holding Regional WIP Workshops. Frank Schaeffer and Jim Wieprecht, along with county staff, will be attending the November 17 WIP Workshop in Walkersville. Brenda Dinne said if anyone else was interested in attending let her know.

Brenda met with Nancy Nunn, Education and Outreach Coordinator, Harry R. Hughes Center for Agro-Ecology on October 15. Ms. Nunn is interviewing people from all the counties in Maryland to determine other things that MDE could do to help local jurisdictions implement the Watershed Implementation Plan (WIP). She will be writing a report for each county interviewed and will send Brenda a copy of Carroll County's before it is put into a document. Brenda will email the draft report out to the WRCC for any additions they may have when she receives it.

Staff met with MDE on October 16 to discuss MDE's urban BMP effectiveness spreadsheets, generated from MAST numbers that were received in the spring. The final Accounting for Stormwater Permit Guidance document was received in August. Both documents were reviewed for consistency by staff and inconsistencies

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were found in the numbers. Staff questioned which numbers we are to use. No definite answer was given except to use the Accounting for Stormwater to track our numbers for our permit, which is what we have been using.

### **Ebola**

Ed Singer said Emergency Management expressed concerns about Ebola being spread through sewage. Ed spoke to Dr. Cliff Mitchel, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and he said there is no reason for concern; nothing should be done differently. Employees at the waste water treatment plants should wear gloves; which they should already be doing. Ed said if there were any concern from the community they should direct them to him.

### **Town Project Status**

Gale Engles gave an update on municipal projects she is currently working on.

Willow Pond, Eden Farms – City of Westminster gave approval on proceeding with a Design/Built RFP. This project is being considered in lieu of the Sullivan Road Phases 2 & 3.

Langdon Property - Two conceptual plans and conceptual engineering costs were presented to the City of Westminster; Option 2 was chosen. The City is working with the Langdons on a “First Right of Refusal” on the property. Plans will be submitted on November 5<sup>th</sup>.

Manchester Skate Park – A meeting will be scheduled with CLSI to discuss the five options to keep the wetland/stream disturbance to a minimum while treating the entire drainage area.

Municipal Tree Plantings – Tree planting contract has been awarded, and plantings will begin the week of October 20. Anticipate finishing the projects by the end of November. Gale said there is still money remaining from the DNR grant for tree plantings and urged the municipalities to get with her with any possible planting sites.

### **MOA Approval Meeting**

The signing of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Board of County Commissioners and Mayors is scheduled for October 23. It was decided that Frank Schaffer and Steve Miller would represent the WRCC and give a brief overview of the process and the MOA. There are some Mayors that will not be present but can sign at a later date.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:10.

**The next meeting is scheduled for December 3 at the Carroll County Ag Center – Extension Office meeting room at 2:30.**