

Minutes

Hiawatha Storm Water Advisory Committee

March 23, 2016 at 5:00 pm-6:00pm

City Hall Multi-purpose Room

1. **Call to order-Present:** Ted Martin-340 Daws Road

Ethan Ronnebaum-202 8th Avenue

Kevin Nevendorf-107 Blair's Ferry Crossing

2. **City staff discussion:** John Bender stated that this was an organizational meeting to provide information to the committee on current policies and procedures. City staff provided an overview of the storm water duties in each City department:
 - a. Kim Downs-Administration
 - b. John Bender-Engineering
 - c. Patrick Parsley-Community Development
 - d. Cindy Kudrna-Finance

2. **Current regulations:** John Bender reviewed:
 - a. The newly approved IDNR-NPDES MS4 Permit that outlines the requirements of the City of Hiawatha for monitoring land disturbing activities in the City and reporting requirements for enforcing current storm water and erosion control ordinances. John provided copies for the committee and identified Part II of the permit that provided the requirement for the City to organize a Storm water Advisory Committee
 - b. John Bender also review the EPA Clean Water Act adopted in the 1970's that establishes the need for the operation of a storm water disposal system and the control of pollutants entering watercourses.

3. **Review of proposed responsibilities:** John Bender reviewed the issues and responsibilities that could be presented to the committee for discussions and recommendations:
 - a. Review current policies and ordinances
 - b. Work with other volunteer groups
 - c. Review service charges
 - d. Public outreach on operational programs
 - e. Make commendations to elected officials

4. **Review current ordinances:** John Bender provided copies of the current storm water related ordinances in the Hiawatha code. The copies provided were:
 - a. Chapter 97 Use of public sewers
 - b. Chapter 101 Storm Water Drainage Systems
 - c. Chapter 102 Illicit discharge
 - d. Chapter 161 Flood Plain Regulation
 - e. Chapter 162 Storm water Runoff
 - f. Chapter 167 Erosion control

5. **Other business:** John Bender asked for guidance for future meetings:
 - a. It was determined that the committee should meet on a quarterly basis until some of the provided information can be reviewed and any recommended changes be provided to the City Council. Therefore the next meeting will be in late June.
 - b. The 5;00pm meeting time was determined as the best to fit the committee's schedule.
 - c. The location will remain as the multi-purpose room in City Hall
 - d. John Bender will remain the primary contact for the committee and will propose a meeting date in June and forward to the committee for confirmation.
 - e. John Bender stated that staff will start reviewing the current ordinances and prepare any draft revisions and submit to the committee for consideration a the next meeting.
 - f. Other issues-none

6. Adjourn