



Upper White River Watershed Alliance (UWRWA)
TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING
October 8th, 2009
Sterrett Center, City of Lawrence
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

RECORD OF MEETING

- A. Jill Hoffmann initiated the meeting with round-the-room introduction. People present: Jill Hoffmann, Bob Thompson, Kelly Levensgood, Brian Neilson, Trent Pell, Amy Smith, Crist Blassaras and Sheila McKinley, and Felicia Tonnis. During this time Hoffmann introduced Sheila McKinley as the new Technical Committee Chairperson.
- B. Levensgood provided a recap of the July Record.
- C. Thompson briefly updated the committee on the Central Indiana SW Workshop Planning Committee effort.
- D. Hoffmann discussed the results of the Educational Committee Findings from the meeting held on September 28, 2009. During this meeting the MS4 Survey results were discussed and notable findings of the survey were presented during the meeting. Hoffmann discussed the relationship between the Technical and Educational Committee working cohesively to produce deliverables outlined in the work plan.
- E. Hoffmann and McKinley lead the group through a discussion of the current work plan objectives, deliverables and schedule. Both stressed the need to commit leadership to the individual tasks on the work plan. Working with the committee, the work plan was revised. Revisions included additional deliverables, the removal of completed task and the assigning of committee members to some of the new tasks.

McKinley worked with the committee on devising a strategy for submitting work for review. McKinley also suggested inviting guests to the meeting such as IDEM and other groups that could contribute and provide insight based on the topic.

The committee is committed to rounding out the BMP locator tool with some of the larger more visible projects. It was also suggested that an interactive submittal feature be added to the locator/website. This would allow people to submit things as they saw them or completed projects and keep the tool dynamic. It was also suggested that a similar site be created for agricultural BMP (at some point in the future). An email will be sent outlining the type of information needed for each project to get posted. McKinley will receive the info and forward to Pell for posting. Levensgood will work to get the actual locator link on the UW site somewhere with submittal instructions. The following assignments were made to members related to gathering info and pictures for specific projects:

Neilson - Dillon Park, other EMH&T projects

Blassaras – Ball Hospital green roof, Strawtown wetland/Kotewi Park, Minatrista (Muncie)

Hoffmann – EDC, IMA, Intech, Ameriplex, State Fairgrounds, Cultural Trail, Forest Park

McKinley – EC Reservoir green wall, Pogues Run, Nature Conservancy site

Levensgood – Contact Kevin at Spence and Heather Williams (green roof) for other key projects

- F. Hoffmann briefly described the upcoming 2011 Indianapolis Museum of Art project involving the White River. She shared this with the group because the artist constructing this piece has solicited the help of UWRWA for supplemental information and resources. This project is a highly visible public educational opportunity. The technical committee discussed opportunities to assist.
- G. Levengood reviewed new additions and slight changes to the webpage structure. She also noted that the Stormwater Glossary while not final is uploaded and functional on the website. In the future, glossary revisions will be uploaded.
- H. The meeting closed with a few additional announcements.
 - The next Technical Committee meeting is tentatively December 17th location tentatively The Athenaeum, 2:00 – 4:00 pm.
- I. Adjourn 4:10 pm.