

MINUTES OF THE ARANSAS COUNTY
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
May 4, 2009

On the 4th day of May the Storm Water Advisory Committee met at 1:30 PM at the Aransas County Service Center, 1931 FM 2165, Rockport, Texas with the following members present: De McLallen, Curtis Attaway, Pat McKelvey, Charles Smith, and Russell Cole. Herb Wisch attended on behalf of Frank Reilly. Earl Mathew and Ray Kirkwood, from the screening sub-committee, were also present. Representing the County's SWM Consultant team were Dave Sullivan, John Michael and Craig Thompson of Naismith Engineering, Inc. and Charles Rowney and Linda Pechacek with LDP Consultants, Inc. Representing the County Engineering staff were David Vyoral and David Reid.

1. Meeting was opened and a quorum was declared by De McLallen.
2. Minutes from the April 6, 2009 meeting were approved.
3. Mr. Reid discussed the status of the TCEQ FY 2009 Grant work plan. The plan has gone through several reviews by TCEQ. All comments have been addressed. The plan states that funding will be used for construction. TCEQ will forward the final plan to the EPA. Funds are expected in November.
4. The Coastal Management Program (CMP) Grant Cycle #15 appears to be a promising source of funding for projects relating to the Integrated Master Plan. Mr. Smith suggested continued funding of projects in the Tule watershed would be a good project for this grant. John Michael suggested acquisition of a property along Palmetto would ensure proper drainage from Fulton. McLallen observed that the deadline for submitting the grant application was in six months and we should proceed quickly to identify a project. Mr. Michael stated that the drainage plan will identify and prioritize future projects.
5. Mr. Reid summarized the status of the drainage plan. Most of the effort so far has been in data collection and analysis, issue identification and interim BMP guidelines. County staff is currently reviewing a first draft BMP policy and several public information articles. Mr. Reid mentioned that we are scheduled to have a public workshop soon and asked for opinions as to format. After discussion, it was decided that an informal open house at Paws and Taws on June 18 was preferred. NEI will have work product on display. Mr. McLallen asked that NEI prepare a draft plan and agenda for the open house and circulate it for comment to the SWMAC in the next couple of weeks.
6. Mr. Wisch mentioned that the City of Rockport's Water Quality Committee is meeting Wednesday, May 6 at 9:00 am to discuss a proposed Construction BMP Ordinance. SWMAC members were encouraged to review the draft ordinance and attend the Water Quality workshop.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:26 PM



David J. Reid, P.E.
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