

MINUTES OF THE ARANSAS COUNTY
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
April 5, 2010

On the 5th day of March, 2010, the Stormwater 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, Frank Reilly, Russell Cole, Pat McKelvey, Ron Outen and Charles Smith. Ray Kirkwood, from the technical committee, was present. Representing the County's SWM Consultant team were Craig Thompson (NEI), Dave Sullivan (NEI), Paul Lippke (LCR) and Linda Pechacek (LDP). Representing the County Engineering staff were David Vyoral and David Reid. Also present were Tom Blazek and Dennis King (City of Rockport), C. J. Wax, Tom Callan and Greg Harlan.

1. Meeting was opened and a quorum was declared by De McLallen.
2. Minutes from the March 1, 2010 meeting were approved.
3. Frank Reilly summarized his report to the Rockport City Council on the County's Stormwater Management plan:
 - a. Stated the background of how and why the committee was formed and described the County's public policy and objectives for stormwater management.
 - b. Reviewed the process for selecting an engineering consultant.
 - c. Summarized the hydrologic analysis completed, including Tule Watershed, and presented the existing conditions flood map for Tule watershed.
 - d. Described current technical requirements adopted by the county, including water quality, flood control and level of service.
 - e. Mr. Reilly stated his opinion that the City and County should work together to form compatible stormwater policies and technical requirements.
4. Commissioner Smith agreed that the City and County must have consistent objectives and policies for a new stormwater management plan to work and asked Mr. Reilly what must happen to get the City more involved in the process. Mr. Reilly stated that two groups should be formed; one to recommend policy and the other to recommend technical requirements. Mr. Lippke also voiced his opinion that the County staff and City staff should work through technical requirements differences. Mr. Blazek agreed that a County/City technical group could be formed.
5. Mr. Thompson presented a comparison of local stormwater management policies. His conclusion is that the County and City are not substantially different with regards to drainage. The major difference is in water quality requirements.
6. Mr. McLallen pointed out the importance of integrating water quality and water quantity criteria and asked if the spreadsheet presented by Dr. Rowney was a tool that would facilitate that endeavor. Mr. Lippke thought the committee should examine the spreadsheet carefully before committing to the expense. Mr. McLallen suggested a case study to better evaluate the spreadsheet's applicability.
7. WA #2 is approximately 75% complete. The overall project is four weeks behind schedule. Mr. Thompson believes the project will be back on schedule by the end of April. Mr. Thompson stated by the end of April or early May, the Committee should consider a third work authorization. Mr. Reid suggested the completion of deliverables from WA #2 would facilitate the Committee's recommendation for additional work.

8. Mr. Harlan and Mr. Sullivan presented a matrix identifying grant status and opportunities. Mr. Sullivan suggested acquisition of Big Tree Ranch as a possible CIAP competitive grant. Judge Mills has written a letter of support for TPWDs bid to get a CELP grant for acquisition of Big Tree Ranch.
9. The March 8 Open House was attended by a crowd 100. There were good presentations, questions and discussions. Overall, the Open House was a success. Commissioner Smith expressed his desire to be able to point to projects under construction or completed by the next Open House.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:25 PM.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'D. Reid', with a large, stylized flourish extending from the end.

David J. Reid, P.E.
Stormwater Management Engineer