



MEETING AGENDA

KELSO STORMWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DATE: April 24, 2013

TIME: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

LOCATION: Kelso City Hall, Suite 203

Old Business

- 1) January 30, 2013 Meeting minutes
- 2) Affected Business Owner/Stormwater Permittee vacancy

New Business

- 1) AWC Center for Quality Communities Scholarship – Mike Dyer
- 2) KSAC member binders
- 3) Logos for the Partners for Clean Water group
- 4) Annual Report
- 5) Status & Trends Monitoring Workshops



Kelso Stormwater Advisory Committee Meeting
April 24, 2013 @ 4:00 p.m.
City Hall Conference Room 203
203 S. Pacific Ave.

Attendees:

1. *Jay Fredes*
2. *Gloria Nichols*
3. *Wendy Campbell*
4. *Van Muly*
5. *Wanda Davis*
6. *Don Howell*
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Stormwater Advisory Committee Meeting

January 30, 2013

Call to Order:

Michael Dyer called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m., at City of Kelso City Hall, 203 S. Pacific Ave., Conference Room 203.

Those present were as follows:

Advisory Committee Members:

Gloria Nichols
Steffanie Taylor
Michael Dyer
Tim Wines
Gary Fredricks
Don Lemmons

Staff:

Van McKay, City of Kelso

Excused Absences:

Dan Howell

Approval of Minutes:

Gloria Nichols asked for correction to the "next meeting" date as listed on the minutes from July 25, 2012 to August 29, 2012. *(The July meeting was later postponed in June until August by Van McKay due to the delay of the Permit issuance).*

Gloria Nichols made the motion, seconded by Tim Wines to approve the minutes of January 25, 2012, as corrected. Motion carried, all in favor.

New Business:

1. Term Reappointments/New Officers Vote

Four members terms are up, new terms begin this month. Steffanie Taylor, Tim Wines, Gloria Nichols, and Don Lemmons are up to be reappointed to new two year terms. Consent was requested.

Don Lemmons requested to discontinue his service to the committee. Van McKay thanked him for his service and said he would contact Don on ideas for a replacement. Steffanie Taylor, Tim Wines, and Gloria Nichols all agreed to renew their terms.

Steve Warner from the City of Longview was introduced as a guest visitor to the meeting.

Steffanie Taylor nominated Gary Fredricks for President, Tim Wines nominated Steffanie Taylor for Vice President. Hearing no other nominations, voting followed. All in favor.

2. New Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit

The new Phase II permit becomes effective August 1st of this year. These permits are traditionally five-year permits, however the start date for the new permit was postponed and the old permit is to be used in the interim.

The new permit has a number of changes:

- A. New terms:
 - i. Hard Surface – Asphalt and concrete (both pervious/impervious)
 - 1. Tim Wines questioned how this will affect development. Van McKay responded that before if it was an acre or more you had to go through the States requirements to do development. If it was under an acre, you could do your development under the local basis and have our LID credits to reduce impervious surfaces. Now Ecology wants to do away with the one acre threshold, and take it down to 2000 ft². That is the footprint of a house. Requirements are progressive, depending on the size of the development.
- B. There will be more catch basin inspections required under the new permit. They will be allowed to be done in a circuit basis. Frequency of inspections will be determined based on the amount of sediment per basin.
- C. There was an erosivity waiver in the permit. Because not many projects used that waiver, they removed it from the new requirement.
- D. In the old permit, there were nine minimum requirements per job. With the new permit, the first five requirements now come with a list of things to do to mitigate for stormwater.
 - i. Tim Wines brought up concerns with this with construction where the land isn't flat due to its ability to move and questioned whether or not that will open up the chance for lawsuits against the City and the developers.
- E. New timelines:
 - i. New stormwater code (Ordinances) due December 31, 2016.
 - ii. Must deal with other departments, such as Building and Planning, to prepare these Ordinances.
 - iii. Work with monitoring stormwater status and trends in a combined Southwest Washington effort. Lower Columbia Fish Recovery Board and the City of Longview received a grant to begin planning on a system to do this.
 - 1. The options for conforming to the requirement is either handled locally or to buy into a group effort. Decision must be made before December 31, 2013. A presentation will be made to Council to make the decision. Currently the cost to Kelso is \$5000 for the group option. The cost would be three times that to do it ourselves and would probably require the City hiring a consultant.
- F. Appeal of the new permit. Many jurisdictions felt that the requirements were too expensive and burdensome. The Pollution Control Hearings Board put out a document

that contains all complaints, and sets out a timeline for depositions. Between March and April of next year the final hearing(s) will be held. Their judgment could take several months to be made. In the meantime we must follow the new permit requirements.

- i. The main things this appeal is targeting is:
 1. Low impact development. The long term viability has not been proven.
 2. Feasibility versus infeasibility. It will require the local governments to determine if a site is infeasible to do LID or not. Previously it was the developer's responsibility.
 3. Vesting was a big thing. For example, if an application is turned in this year, he is vested under the current permit. However if it is not built within a time frame, the new permit requirements apply.
 4. Requiring many more illicit discharge investigations.
 5. The one acre threshold is being lowered to 2000 square feet.
- ii. An interesting thing about the appeal. Only the government side to the permit is appealing; the environmental side did not appeal. During the first permit both the government and environmental sides appealed. However, during the proceedings of the appeal, the environmental side can have input.

3. Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington

Van McKay just received a hard copy of the 2012 Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington and offered it for review. Ecology made some changes to best management practices. The Manual is also available on the Ecology website.

Next Meeting:

Committee discussed and agreed the next meeting shall be held April 24, 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.

Approved:


Gary Fredricks, Chairperson


Nina Caulfield, Recording Secretary