



**MINUTES
STORMWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 2016
3:30PM
COMMUNITY ROOM**

Committee Members Present:

Violet Freudenberg, Ed Whiting, Joe Wolfe, Valerie McFall, Marie Meszaros, Debbie Fraser

Committee Members Absent:

Ken Hawkins

Staff Present:

Lori Saal, Joseph Konvicka

Other:

none

Call to Order: Joe called the meeting to order at 3:40pm.

Approval of the Minutes

Violet made a motion to approve the December minutes, Marie seconded and all were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Charter Language amendment – We need to approve the version that the board approved along with our previous updates and Lori will resubmit all of it to the board for approval.
- b. Outdoor Classroom update
 - i. Artistic cistern project – The Cistern is completed. Lori is going to have another artist design artistic signage, including one at the cistern. She is asking her to take a zoomed out photo so that you can see some of the structure and she will do an artistic rendering. It will also describe the function and what it is being used for. This will be helpful to anyone that visits the site.
 - ii. There is some successful active gardening.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. OC Project application – There is a project application for the Outdoor Classroom from the Girl Scouts. They want to grow vegetables under frost tunnels. They want to use 4-6 beds and continue over the winter. They are asking for \$250 in funding. They wrote a letter describing their request. Joe described how well the Girl Scouts have been tending the garden and donating the proceeds. Violet put a motion to approve the funding to Andrea Valdyke's Girl Scouts Silver Award Project, Debbie seconded it and all were in favor. There has been some vandalism at the garden area, taking food. Violet asked about the mushroom project and Joseph said that he drafted a description to Lori.

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- b. Stormwater ordinance schedule for FBMA and MPC – We have to revise for the new permit requirements. The modification of the aquatic buffer and the new 1” requirement. It has been sent to the board by the May 12th board meeting at the latest. Ed would like to go back and look at the ordinance the next meeting. The two major changes are the 1” rule and the aquatic buffer. Lori is going to post it on the website and send everyone a link.
- c. Riparian Tree Planting Grant – Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency awarded a \$500 grant for trees and bushes again, this is a reimbursement grant.
- d. Riparian buffer restoration project – This is the result of many different projects that fell into place. This will be a successful buffer restoration just east of Farragut Commons neighborhood. There was a tree inventory (by the UT students) and have some problems with the Ash Bore along this section too. Joseph selected this same area for the stream project. Now have a four-phase project of this area. Lori will take photos, interviews and documentation. She wants this to be a case study and presentation for any conferences. Make a video of trees coming down and people cleaning. The project involving the before and after. There are a lot of invasive plants. Trying to determine how long, thinking 200 feet.
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Any Other Business

None

Adjourned 4:45pm, next meeting February 11, 2016 at 3:30pm in the Town Hall Board Room.