# Watershed Committee of the Ozarks, Inc. Work Session Meeting Minutes

August 9, 2016 Watershed Center 2400 E. Valley Water Mill Rd. Springfield, MO 65803

Board Chair Eric Dove called the regular Board of Directors meeting to order at 5:07pm. Those in attendance and constituting a quorum were:

Board Members Present: Eric Dove (Chair), Dan Hoy (Secretary), Karen Spence, Bridget Dierks, Jason Hainline

Staff Present: Mike Kromrey, Kelly Guenther, Jeff Birchler

Others Present: Tim Smith (Deputy City Administrator), Chris Coulter (County Administrator)

### 1. Request for Additional Items—None.

#### 2. Corporation Business

- **a**. **Meeting Minutes** Minutes from the July Work Session and Monthly Meeting and were reviewed. Mr. Hoy moved to accept the minutes. Ms. Spence seconded. Carried 4-0.
- **b.** Financial Reports Ms. Guenther reviewed the July financials including Balance Sheet, P&L Previous Year Comparison, and Cash Flow Summary 2016. The board agreed they would like to see a running budget, a summary of total income and total expenses and total profit year-to-date, and year-to-year numbers side-by-side to see the trends. Ms. Guenther said she would present that format next month.
- Ms. Dierks moved to accept the financials. Mr. Hoy seconded. Carried 4-0.
- **c. Draft 2017 Budget** Mr. Kromrey said one major change to the budget is the addition of \$25,000 from the City for fee for service for MS4 education. He would like to propose two changes: 1) add \$4,000 more to payroll for intern/part-time help and 2) reduce the fundraising budget by \$10,000. The board agreed those changes made sense. Ms. Spence made a motion to accept the 2017 Budget with said changes: 1) adding \$4,000 to payroll and reducing the fundraising budget \$10,0000. Mr. Hainlined seconded. Carried 5-0
- **d. Board member selection**—Mr. Dove said the Greene County Commission appointed Jason Hainline as the County representative on the WCO board. Everyone welcomed Mr. Hainline.

## 3. Updates

- **a. Sponsor updates** Mr. Smith said the City's \$25,000 support for the WCO is from the Overflow Control Plan. 1.4 million over ten years was allocated to benefit water quality and a portion of that is allocated to other activities to improve water quality, thus the City was able to contract with WCO \$25,000 fee-for service to help with MS4 education. Mr. Dove asked if WCO was appropriately staffed for the tasks. Mr. Kromrey said he met with Errin Kemper and Carrie Lamb and they are working on a draft. He said before the WCO enters into the contract with the City, the board will review and vote on it. Mr. Dove suggested a passing around the wish list of projects and also to get a coordinating meeting together with Mr. Kemper and Ms. Lamb.
- b. Staff Updates—Ms. Guenther said the Summer Gala was a success and thanked the board for their help and participation. Overall WCO netted around \$27,000 on the event with the majority of the funds going into the Watershed Center account. Mr. Krormey said a new venue may be needed next year as the Museum is limiting the space that can be used for events. The board agreed it was time for a new venue. Mr. Hoy said he would check with Bass Pro about their event sites. Ms. Dierks and Ms. Spence suggested giving notable people in the community, such as Cliff Smart and John Jungmann, tickets to the event next year. Mr. Kromrey introduced intern Clarissa Hatley. Ms. Hatley said she interned with Rob Hunt in the summer of 2013 and was asked to come back this summer and help with

the summer field trips and other needs around the Watershed Center. She really enjoys working with the WCO staff and has found the experience very valuable. She is starting her Master's program at MSU in a couple weeks. Mr. Kromrey said the tool shed was broken into a couple of weeks ago. He filed a claim with insurance and will not keep valuable tools in the shed any longer. During Day of Caring a group from Crawford Murphy Tilly Engineering are going to build a lock box by the building to store the tools. Parks have installed cameras as well. Mr. Birchler said the chimney swift towers will be built over the next few weeks. An MSU group is coming out next Monday to get started on them and they will be a project during Day of Caring next Thursday. Other projects on Day of Caring include a lake clean-up, building picnic tables, trail maintenance and habitat improvements. Mr. Birchler said he is scheduling outreach and field trips and he met with Anne Wallemeyer with SPS. The Splash! Program was a huge success and they are collaborating on developing a curriculum to bring even more students to the Watershed Center. Ms. Dierks said there is a Marketing Focus Group meeting August 31st at 5pm at the Watershed Center. She will keep the board updated on the progress.

#### **Other Business** — None

Mr. Dove made a motion to close the meeting. "I move that this meeting be closed, and that all records and votes, to the extent permitted by law, pertaining to and/or resulting from this closed meeting be closed under Section 610.021, subsections 1 and 3, RSMo, for the purpose of discussion of staff reviews of individual employees." Mr. Hoy said aye. Ms. Dierks said aye. Ms. Spence said aye. Mr. Hainline said aye.

Meeting adjourned 6:07pm Minutes submitted by Kelly Guenther