

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

February 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 5:05pm. Those in attendance and constituting a quorum were:

Board Members Present: Eric Dove, Chair, Laura Greene, Vice Chair, Dan Hoy Secretary, Megan McKenna.
Those arriving after 5:05pm: Bridget Dierks, Karen Spence

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Mike Kromrey, Kelly Guenther, Rob Hunt, Stacey Armstrong

Others Present: Roddy Rogers, Manager Water Resources Projects

1. Request for Additional Items— Yes. Mr. Hoy stated he would like to add KY3 Celebrates Ozarks Waters and the museum event. Ms. McKenna moved to add the item and Ms. Greene seconded. Carried 4-0.

2. Corporation Business

a. Meeting Minutes — Minutes from the January Work Session and Monthly Meeting were reviewed. Mr. Hoy moved to accept the minutes. Ms. McKenna seconded. Carried 4-0.

b. Financial Reports —Ms. Guenther reviewed the January financials including Balance Sheet, P&L YTD comparison, Cash Flow Summary. She said the 2015 Audit is in a couple of weeks and the DNR Little Sac audit went well. Mr. Dove asked Ms. Guenther to invoice HDR for \$500 to sponsor the Watershed Gala. Mr. Hoy moved to accept the financials. Ms. Dierks seconded. Carried 5-0.

3. Updates

a. Sponsor updates — Mr. Rogers said there were no updates.

b. Staff Updates (includes additional item)— Mr. Kromrey said he and the Directors of OWW and JRBP sent a white paper to Bass Pro regarding the fundraiser at the new museum. Mr. Hoy said KY3 approached JRBP about adopting River Rescue and River Jam on the square as a sponsor. KY3 was looking to celebrate Ozarks waters all year and this could include the WCO's Gala and the Bass Pro Museum event. Mr. Hoy stated this is a great opportunity for each organization to showcase their unique contributions to the community and culminate with the big group fundraiser. The board agreed for WCO to be involved. Mr. Hoy said there was confirmation to do the group fundraising event at the museum in October and KY3 will promote it. He will bring more information about the event as details emerge. Mr. Kromrey said the RCCP White Paper was submitted to USDA through NRCS. April is the call for pre-proposals and his is preparing a proposal with CU and NRCS. The money would be used to help clean up water resources but there isn't funding for staff. The logistics of funding and who would do the work is still being ironed out. Mr. Dove said the Blackman intake averages 20 to 40% of the water supply and nearby non-point source pollution such as leaky septic systems and agriculture has caused algae blooms. This program will provide incentives to farmers to implement BMP's to help improve water quality. Someone would need to knock on doors and talk to the farmers to drum up interest and encourage involvement. Once there is an agreement for a farmer to get involved then NRCS takes over and works with the farmers to implement the practices. Mr. Kromrey said he will be making a list of projects to address at the Watershed Center including possible roof leak, water leak inside through the concrete and outdoor bathroom energy usage.

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. Greene said aye. Ms. Spence said aye. Ms. McKenna said aye.

Meeting adjourned 6:00 pm

Minutes submitted by Kelly Guenther