

**STORM WATER TASK FORCE
THURSDAY, MAY 10, 2007
MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Parking Lot.

PRESENT: Bob Bauknecht, Bob Fox, Craig Haan, Don Karman, Dick Klinkner, Mark Matthews, Fred Pospeschil, Kris Sitterle, Steve Sonntag, and Rusty Welsh

ABSENT AND EXCUSED: Jerry Brickner, Tom Rysticken and Mike Zumner

ALSO PRESENT: Nick Vande Hey, representative of McMahon Associates; Jim Knickelbine, Executive Director of Woodland Dunes Nature Center; Greg Buckley, City, Manager; Bill Scola, Acting Public Works Director; Scott Ahl, Acting City Engineer

CARPOOLING TO SITE REVIEWS OF CITY'S EXISTING STORMWATER FACILITIES – OUTFALLS AND DETENTION PONDS

One of the purposes of this meeting was to review several of the City's existing stormwater facilities. Those present viewed the Riverside Park outfall, the Madison/Memorial outfall, and the Sandy Bay Highlands retention pond.

At this point Bob Fox, Dick Klinkner, Mark Matthews, and Greg Buckley left the meeting.

RECONVENE AT WOODLAND DUNES NATURE CENTER HEADQUARTERS, 3000 HAWTHORNE AVENUE (HWY 310) FOR PRESENTATION

At 7:20 p.m. the group continued their meeting at Woodland Dunes Nature Center. Jim Knickelbine, Executive Director of Woodland Dunes Nature Center, provide a historical background and current overview of the Center. Originally the area was used for bird watching. The Center officially began in 1974 with the purchase of 40 acres. Today Woodland Dunes Nature Center covers 1,200 acres, 800 of which are wooded. Woodland Dunes is a unique floodplain, wetland and dune-ridge area that is a bird nesting site and migration stopover.

The property includes one mile of frontage on the West Twin River. Woodland Dunes received a Lakeshore Natural Resources Partnership Grant to study water quality. They have done sampling for water quality on both the West and East Twin Rivers for the past year.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

It was suggested that a copy of the City's stormwater discharge permit (WPDES permit) be forwarded to each committee member. The development of a stormwater section on the City's website was discussed. The permit should be included on the website.

At the initial meeting of the Task Force, it had been indicated that the group would not be meeting during the summer months. Members asked to be kept informed of any progress over the next several months. They also questioned whether there was anything they as a group could be doing before the next scheduled September/October meeting. They also asked that Mr. Buckley provide the ground rules for this committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. on a motion by Don Karman and second by Steve Sonntag. Motion carried.


Joan Schmid, Recording Secretary