

**PAPILLION CREEK  
WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP**



**MEETING MINUTES**

**Partnership Meeting  
November 9, 2006 - 9 to 11 AM - Board Room  
Natural Resources Center, 8901 S. 154<sup>th</sup> Street, Omaha, NE**

Attendants

The following were in attendance: Jeanne Eibes (Carter Lake Preservations), Laurie Carrette Zook (HDR), Joe Soucie (La Vista), James Kee (Omaha), Karen Klein (Omaha), Mark Stursma (Papillion), Marty Leming (Papillion), David Goedeken (Bellevue), Robert Hayes (Boys Town), Steve Tonn (Douglas/Sarpy Co Extension), Rick Houck (Sarpy County), Dorothy Lanphier (P-MRNRD Director), Emmett Egr (P-MRNRD), and Paul Woodward (P-MRNRD).

Purpose

A meeting of the Partnership was held on the above date in order to discuss topics stated in the attached agenda. The meeting began at approximately 9:09 AM.

1. Introductions

- Paul Woodward opened the meeting and an agenda and sign-up sheet were distributed. Everyone introduced themselves.

2. Stormwater Policy Adoption

- A copy of the Omaha World Herald article entitled "Another Dam Plan may be in Works" from November 6, 2006 was handed out. The article was briefly discussed and it was noted that Douglas County, along with Elkhorn, Bennington and Gretna, had still not fully adopted the Stormwater Policies or ordinance. Emmett Egr encouraged each Partnership member to contact the World Herald to make sure their side of the story is heard as well. For example, Mark Stursma noted that Papillion is only a small portion of the watershed and with so much area above them draining into their city limits, there is little they can do alone to address the problems.
- An updated copy of the draft Policy Development Report was distributed. Lyle Christensen noted that suggestions from the last meeting had been incorporated and that one final review was needed by the Partnership. Any additional comments need to be submitted to Paul Woodward by Friday, November 17, 2006.
- An outline of proposed tasks and services for Stage IV were handed out and reviewed. Lyle Christensen noted that Kent Holm had provided several good comments via email. Anyone with other comments should submit them to Paul Woodward by Nov. 17, 2006.

3. NPDES Permit Compliance

- State grant funding from LB 1226 was discussed. The question was could funds be pooled to work on large stormwater management projects such as one of the proposed Water Quality basins. This was thought to be a possibility, but would require a project agreement amongst all participating parties.
- Chester Black reported that voluntary compliance letters had been sent from Omaha to those found to be in violation during construction site inspections. The procedure for a contractor obtaining a grading permit from any of the communities was discussed. It was noted that each contractor should obtain a job number from the City of Omaha and access on the website before a permit is granted, assuming their plan was reviewed and accepted.

#### 4. Other Items of Interest

- Jeanne Eibes reported that many attended the public planning meetings for the Carter Lake Community Based Watershed Plan (<http://www.carterlakepreservation.org/>). She also explained the role of the technical advisory group which was planning to assist in putting out an RFP for technical analysis needed for the watershed plan. A presentation of the Partnership's Stormwater Policies was discussed. It was decided that such a presentation would be best suited for the Carter Lake City Council.
- Paul Woodward noted that EPA was holding a training workshop for MS4 communities and individual email notices had been sent out. Dave Goedeken noted that he was planning to attend and could carpool if anyone was interested.

#### 5. Next Meeting Dates

- The next Partnership subcommittee meeting was scheduled for Thursday, December 7, 2006 at 10:00 AM at the NRD.

#### 6. Adjourn

- The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:25 AM. An agenda, attendance list, and the handouts passed out at the meeting are available to those members who were not present at the meeting upon request.

Please contact Paul Woodward at 444-6222 regarding any questions or comments concerning these meeting minutes.