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**Watershed Erosion Task Force Meeting**

Wednesday, February 23, 2022

Wildwood City Hall, 16860 Main Street, Wildwood, Missouri 63040

**Meeting #28 Minutes**

The Watershed Erosion Task Force meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m., on Wednesday, February 23, 2022, being hosted at Wildwood City Hall, 16860 Main Street, Wildwood, Missouri 63040, via the Zoom Webinar Platform.

**I. Roll Call of Task Force Members**

A roll call of members was taken, with the following results:

Present: Citizen Members Sturman, Berger, Patton, Bramman, and Holthouse and Council Members Edens, Rambaud, Gillani, and Farmer

Absent: Citizen Members Bartelsmeyer, Delanty, and Donaldson and City Council Members Brost, Ottenberg, Bertolino, and Hopper

Staff Present: City Administrator Steve Cross, Director of Planning and Parks Vujnich, Director of Public Works Brown, Assistant City Engineer Rahn, Assistant Director of Planning and Parks Rippetoe, Senior Planner Newberry, and City Attorney Young.

**II. Welcome and Opening Remarks by Co-Chairs**

Co-Chair Farmer welcomed everyone in attendance at tonight's meeting.

**III. Approval of Minutes from the January 25, 2022 Meeting**

A motion was made by Member Sturman, seconded by Council Member Edens, to approve the minutes from the January 25, 2022 Task Force meeting. A voice vote was taken on the approval of the minutes, with no opposition, and one (1) abstention (Gillani). The Co-Chairs then declared the minutes approved.

**IV. Public Comment**

None

## **V. Summary of Comments Chat Session for Task Force Members (Priorities for 2022, Effectiveness of Task Force, and Next Steps for Residents)**

Director Vujnich provided a summary of the comments and items identified by the task force members at its last meeting.

No discussion was held regarding this update item.

## **VI. USGS Update – Field Work in Caulks Creek**

Director Vujnich stated the field work associated with the United States Geological Survey (USGS) began the week of February 14, 2022. He noted two (2) individuals will serve as the liaisons for this project, Dan Rahn, Assistant City Engineer, and Dr. Jessica LeRoy Study Coordinator - USGS.

## **VII. Wildwood Lawn and Garden Summit – March 19, 2022**

Council Member Edens provided an update on the participation of the task force at the Wildwood Lawn and Garden Summit. She stated a stream table and presenter would be available for the event and proposed the idea of developing coloring sheets for children, which would also include a QR code directing people to the task force’s section of the City’s website.

The Co-Chairs stated they are seeking volunteers for the task force’s tent at the Wildwood Lawn and Garden Summit and noted that if members are interested, they should notify City staff.

## **VIII. Update to Work Program Matrix - 2022**

Director Vujnich provided a brief overview of the Work Program Matrix.

No discussion was held among task force members regarding this informational item.

## **IX. Watershed Erosion Task Force Work Program Items**

- a. Supporting Property Owner Creek Repairs/Improvements
  - i. Framing Permitting Process
  - ii. Preapproved Design Details
- b. Improving Detention Basin Effectiveness**
  - i. Identifying Priority Basins
  - ii. Implementing Current Standards and Associated Processes
- c. Watershed Management Master Plan – EPA Approved
- d. Public Education Component – Banner Development**

Director Vujnich stated the consultants are in attendance at tonight's meeting to provide a presentation regarding a proposed study to improve the effectiveness of detention basins within the Caulks Creek Watershed.

Joe Wilson and Todd Wagner provided a presentation on the analysis of the detention basins within the Caulks Creek Watershed. They noted the next step, if the task force would like to proceed, would be to prepare a proposal for the design and engineering of retrofitting six (6) high priority basins. Mr. Wilson also provided an update on the pre-permitting process with the United States Army Corps of Engineers and noted that agency has assigned a project manager for the Wildwood locations.

Discussion was held among task force members regarding what role, if any, the Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District (MSD) might serve in the detention basin retrofitting; questions regarding accessing the basins to improve them and permission from the Homeowners Associations; and whether or not funding is available for improving some identified detention basins

A motion by Council Member Rambaud, seconded by Council Member Edens, to direct the Department to request the proposal from the consultants for the design and engineering of the retrofitting of six (6) identified basins. A voice vote was held regarding the motion. The Co-Chairs declared the motion approved by unanimous vote.

Director Vujnich introduced the development of a banner for use at City events for public education purposes. He stated the Department is seeking the direction from the task force regarding this item.

A motion by Council Member Gillani, seconded by Member Sturman, to authorize the Department to acquire the public education banner, as designed by Co-Chair Farmer. A voice vote was held regarding the motion. The Co-Chairs declared the motion approved by unanimous vote.

## **X. Other Matters for Consideration**

No other matters were discussed at tonight's meeting of the task force.

## **XI. Next Meeting Date – Wednesday, March 23, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.**

The date for the next meeting of the Task Force was agreed to be set for Wednesday, March 23, 2022.

## **XII. Closing Remarks and Adjournment**

A motion was made by Council Member Rambaud, seconded by Member Patton, to adjourn the meeting. Hearing no objections among the membership, the meeting was declared adjourned by Co-Chairs Farmer and Holthouse at 7:13 p.m.