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Watershed Erosion Task Force Meeting

Wednesday, March 23, 2022

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

Meeting #29 Minutes

The Watershed Erosion Task Force meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m., on Wednesday, March 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 Bartelsmeyer, Delanty, Sturman, Berger, Patton, Bramman, Donaldson, and Holthouse and Council Members Edens, Ottenberg (*arriving at 6:30 p.m.*), Rambaud (*via telephone*), Hopper, and Farmer

Absent: City Council Members Brost, Bertolino, and Gillani

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

II. Welcome and Opening Remarks by Co-Chairs

Co-Chairs Holthouse and Farmer welcomed everyone in attendance at tonight's meeting.

III. Approval of Minutes from the February 23, 2022 Meeting

A motion was made by Council Member Edens, seconded by Member Bramman, to approve the minutes from the February 23, 2022 Task Force meeting. A voice vote was taken on the approval of the minutes, with no opposition, and three (3) abstentions (Hopper, Bartelsmeyer, and Donaldson). The Co-Chairs then declared the minutes approved.

IV. Public Comment

None

V. USGS Update – Field Work in Caulks Creek by Dr. Jessica LeRoy – Study Director

Director Vujnich introduced Dr. LeRoy, Study Director for the United States Geological Survey (USGS).

Dr. LeRoy provided a presentation regarding the objectives of the study being conducted by the United States Geological Survey (USGS) within the Caulks Creek Watershed and then offered an update on the work that has been completed an update.

Discussion was held among task force members regarding the technique utilized to measure the stability of the streambank and Dr. LeRoy’s anecdotal observations of the conditions within the creek.

VI. 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.

VI. Wildwood Lawn and Garden Summit – March 19, 2022 – Thoughts, Lessons, and Impressions of Event

Discussion was held among task force members regarding the overall success of the task force’s participation in the event; suggested improvements to the display banner, including the addition of major roadways and the consideration of identifying critical locations on the map, as well; and the consideration of the task force attending other City events to further public education efforts.

Those who volunteered at the event provided information about the conversations and questions they had with residents at it, and noted the importance of the public education component of the task force’s efforts.

VII. Watershed Erosion Task Force Work Program Items

a. Improving Detention Basin Effectiveness – **Proposal from Wilson Hydro**

i. Identifying Priority Basins

ii. Next Steps in Utilization of Data from Collection Effort and Basin Mapping

iii. Implementing Current Standards and Associated Processes

b. Watershed Management Master Plan – EPA Approved -
https://www.epa.gov/sites/default/files/2015-12/documents/watershed_mgmt_quick_guide.pdf

c. Public Education Components

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

Joe Wilson and Todd Wagner provided a presentation of the proposal to perform initial screening of six (6) priority basins within the Caulks Creek Watershed, so as to determine the effectiveness of retrofitting each of them to improve water quality, manage the discharges better during high-intensity storm events, and reduce streambank and bed erosion.

Discussion was held among task force members regarding the availability of funds in the City's budget to accommodate this proposal and consensus on the desire to move forward with this proposal.

A motion by Council Member Ottenberg, seconded by Member Sturman, to proceed with the proposal, as presented. A voice vote was held regarding the motion. The Co-Chairs declared the motion approved by unanimous vote.

IX. Other Matters for Consideration

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

XI. Next Meeting Date – Wednesday, April 27, 2022

The date for the next meeting of the Task Force was agreed to be set for Wednesday, April 27, 2022.

XII. Closing Remarks and Adjournment

A motion was made by Council Member Ottenberg, seconded by Member Berger, to adjourn the meeting. Hearing no objections among the membership, the meeting was declared adjourned by Co-Chairs Farmer and Holthouse at 6:58 p.m.