

NORTH CENTRAL WISCONSIN STORMWATER COALITION
Minutes
April 20, 2023

Most via teleconference:

Members: Jeff Pritchard (Marathon County), Dan Hekrdle (V-Kronenwetter), Mark Thuot (C-Schofield), Kevin Breit (C-Mosinee), Tom Turchi (C-Marshfield), Dan Raczkowski (V-Weston), Tim Vergara (V-Rothschild), Rod Akey (C-Merrill), and TJ Niksich (C-Wausau).

Absent/Excused: Scott Turner (T-Rib Mountain), Tom Pinion (C-Baraboo), Joel Lemke (C-Stevens Point), Eric Southworth (C-Stevens Point), Michael Wodalski (V-Weston), Craig Czaikowski (C-Stevens Point), Nick Dums (C-Wisconsin Rapids), Kevin Lang (Marathon Co Hwy) and Dustin Bonack (C-Merrill).

Others: Fred Heider (NCWRPC), Allison Madison (Salt Wise), Matt Kaelin (DNR), Greg Marsicek (UWSP), and Jon Lindert (Strand).

1. Call to Order.

The agenda being distributed to each community for posting and to local media, Pritchard called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. with most people attending remotely, with Jeff Pritchard, Fred Heider, and Jon Lindert in the **Small** Conference Room 210 River Drive, Wausau, WI.

2. Approve the March 16, 2023 Meeting Minutes.

Action: Moved/Seconded by Turchi / Akey to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2023 meeting. Motion carried.

3. General Public Comment.

- No public comment made.

4. Chairperson's Report.

- Pritchard noted that the Rubber Ducky PSA is running on TV, so look for it.
- County adopted a resolution of support for limited liability for proper salt application.

5. Budget Report.

Discussion: Heider reported a current balance of **\$45,152.95 after:**

- Paying the initial \$300 to create the Smart Salting PSA.
- Paying a Strand invoice of \$334.73 for the February 16th meeting;
- Paying for the spring Rubber Ducky PSA campaign on WSAW for up to \$2,900, and on WAOW for up to \$2,900.
- Paying a NCWRPC invoice of \$4,207.50 for updating the website and administering the Rubber Ducky ad buy.

Outstanding Liabilities:

- Up to \$300 to revise the Smart Salting PSA.
- Sponsorship of Salt Wise at the \$10,000 level in 2023.
- Spring Rubber Ducky PSA sponsorship for up to \$500 in the Baraboo area on TV.
- Sponsorship of the spring Wisconsin River Cleanup at the \$200 level.

Other maximum variable liabilities per contracts on an as-needed basis:

- a) An agreement with NCWRPC to provide up to \$10,000 staff time annually for Stormwater's Outreach Coordinator position through March 1, 2024.

- b) An agreement with Strand to provide up to \$35,000 in engineering services through March 15, 2024.

Available Balance = \$34,152.95

Action: The budget report as presented is approved by general consent.

6. Possible Cooperative Agreement revision (Pritchard/Heider).

Discussion: Pritchard noted that the Cooperative Agreement need modification so that UWSP and the Village of Plover can become Members of the Coalition. Vergara questioned if the University adopts anything by resolution like municipalities do, so an alternative approval is needed.

Action: Moved/seconded by Vergara / Turchi to modify the XIV Approval statement to allow UWSP an alternative way to adopt this Cooperative Agreement if they cannot do so by resolution, and then also to adopt this Cooperative Agreement as amended. 9 Members were in attendance during voting. Motion carried.

7. Website update (Heider).

Discussion: Heider described the changes made to upgrade the Coalition website so most if not all 8 action areas are covered for MS4s. Pritchard and others appreciated Heider's efforts.

8. Announcements, Next Meeting Date, & Next Agenda Items.

- Allison Madison provided a Salt Wise update...and discussed with Members the following:
 - What are the Salt Wise needs of the Coalition?
 - DNR focus group to revise MS4 salt use reporting.
 - Provided an update on smart salting limited liability legislation's progress.
- Next meeting may be May 18, 2023.

11. Adjournment.

Action: Motioned/seconded by Turchi / Akey to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 a.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by: Fred Heider
North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission