

Tyler Creek Watershed Coalition

MINUTES

November 16, 2011

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Rick Poulton, at 4:33PM.

In attendance were:

Gary Swick, Ted Schnell, Roland Hopson, Carl Missele, Rich Hirschberg, George Kanagin, Rick Poulton, Char Carlsen , Holly Hudson, and Karen Miller.

- I. Reviewed agenda –
no changes
- II. Introductions –
none
- III. Review of the Minutes –
Minutes from the October 19th meeting were amended to add the \$1600 donation for Phoenix. Amended minutes were unanimously approved on a motion from Carl and seconded by Char.
- IV. Treasurer's Report –
Carl reported that there is \$2475 in the account and all bills are paid. The treasurer's report was unanimously received.
*Note to Kyla to please post minutes on the website.
- V. Old Business
 - a. Army Corp approval status – Eagle Heights/Spring Cove
Discussion on Army Corps not issuing permits yet. Rick expressed concern about additional bank damage, especially the area where the utilities are located. George offered to contact the Corps about emergency procedures. George requested approval to proceed. Holly noted that it is not the Tyler Creek Coalition's position to make such decisions.
 - b. SSRP funding –
Nothing new.
 - c. Sandy Creek/Tyler Creek Monitoring –
Samples collected last Monday. Some sites are not collecting Dissolved Oxygen correctly. Phosphorous and some other tests are too expensive for the City of Elgin. Those tests will be done with the Fox River Study
 - d. Group Bylaws update -
A change was made to 3.4, and Article 6. Carl moved to accept the revised Bylaws submitted by Carl on 11-16-11. George seconded. Unanimously passed. Rick will submit a PDF to Becky Hoag to post on the website.

e. Tax Filing

Carl will pursue tax-exempt status with the state of Illinois.

A motion was made by George to pursue registering as a 501.C3 if it was a one time filing fee. Karen seconded. Discussion about pursuing 501.C3 status followed. Carl moved to table the motion pending obtaining more information. Rich seconded, and it was approved.

VI. New Business

a. PR and Creek Clean-up

Holly suggested applying for a EPA Scale Grant.

Rick recommended that everyone think about PR opportunities.

b. Creating a Nominating Committee

Roland agreed to Chair the committee

c. Other Topics

George reported that he met with Kane County Forest Preserve District staff to eliminate discharge into a creek, to discharge into a conservancy area.

VII. Next Meeting

a. December 21, 2011 in the 2nd Floor Conf Room at Judson

VIII. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:55 PM