

Tyler Creek Watershed Coalition

01/15/20

MINUTES

In attendance: Carl Missele, Kristen Egan, Rick Poulton, Deb Anderson, Kyla Jacobsen, Gary Swick, Nora Bertram, Rob Linke (by phone)

- I. Review agenda
- II. New member and/or guest introductions – none
- III. Review of the Minutes from the Last meeting - November 2019 - Gary Swick moves to approve, seconded by Deb Anderson. Approved unanimously.
- IV. Treasurer's/Membership Report - remember to pay your annual dues
 - a. \$6471.12 in the checking account
 - b. \$3.27 in interest for the year
 - c. membership renewals are due now
- V. Old Business
 - a. Water Sampling - Date for January sampling? Conflict with scheduled date due to MLK Day holiday. Skip January and just do the February sampling on 2/17 and March sampling on 3/16. Rick is not available for April sampling (on the 20th)
 - b. Garden Qtr Stabilization - is this put to bed? The project, east of the bridge on both sides of the creek, have been completed and put to bed. There is still a lot of work to do on the other side of the street - a separate project.
 - c. Dead End of Abbott at Wing Park - Ron Rudd was working on budget and didn't work on anything. Carl will rattle his chain and try to set up a meeting. ****CITY****
 - d. Property off Mark Ave. adjacent to the creek - the property was for sale for \$10M. The price has dropped to \$1.8M. Creek, railroad tracks, trees, etc. If TCWC could divert water from the creek onto the wetlands in that area, that could work. This could be a topic of discussion with Ron at the city. There was a buyer to develop for a retirement facility, but they went away. ****CITY****
 - e. Guard Rail on Bridge - Garden Qtr - Carl was going to follow up. Carl received an email from Sandra Schmulbach stating they were raising the rail on the west side of the bridge. But, when Carl observed, he noted that there was some black netting, under the rail, down the embankment to the edge of the creek. It appears that they are limiting erosion, but the rail has not been changed. It was uncovered when the culverts were cleaned. Only 2 of the 3 culverts is open and maybe need to clean it out. ****CITY****
 - f. Items of interest sent to CoE city manager - any response - a copy of the PowerPoint to Aaron Cosentino and Laura Valdez. No response from either of them. Carl approached Laura for future funding and Laura ask for the TCWC to come up with some programs. This whole thing is in limbo until we come up with a plan.
 - g. Judson - many subdivisions were built without detention. Judson is at the very end and bears the brunt of the flooding. CofE has created a problem and is responsible to mitigate this. There are other communities upstream of Elgin that are dumping water into the creek. Need to get their attention so that they

understand the ramifications. They need to understand that the development affects the creek. The new Kane County SW Ordinance was released last year. But leeway is no longer an option. We (TCWC) needs to develop a plan and take it to the city (cities) to help them understand the impact that has been created. We need mass support, beyond the 5 or 7 people here in this room. 319 Grant applications are due in early August, so this needs to be worked on NOW. We need to identify what project/projects to submit. Kristen needs to get some people at Judson on board. Carl & Kyla need to get with Ron. These 2 things will happen before the next TCWC meeting.

- i. valley creek, highland glen, sandy cove, mill creek circle,

- ii. Earlier subdivisions

- iii. Industrial properties

- h. There is a culvert still hung up in the creek in Judson and it needs to be removed. Nora sent it on, but will follow up and see about getting it moved.

VI. New business

- a. 319 Grants due in August - what should be our focus

VII. Next Meeting – February 19th, 2020, 4:30 PM at the Riverside WTP (I will be gone)

VIII. Adjournment - 5:30 PM