

MESSER POND PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
June 20, 2018

Present:

John Doyle, President
Dick Showalter, Treasurer
Sue Shock, Director
Nancy Stetson, Director
Donna Doyle

Absent:

Scott Ellison, Director

Via Conference Call:

Ethan Simon, Director

The meeting began at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum present. Bullet style minutes are presented below. Donna Doyle filled in to help take meeting notes.

- Minutes from the April 14, 2018 meeting were approved as circulated. It was suggested to distribute future minutes with a “Draft” watermark
- Watershed Management Plan Status
 - A. Gabe Bolin of Stone Environmental attended the meeting. Stone Environmental submitted a Statement of Qualification and “Scope and Budget” proposal for Objective 4 – “County Road Culvert Investigation” from the MPPA’s Watershed Assistance grant. In addition, Stone was asked to submit proposals:
 - To review the current water sampling process and recommend changes/adjustments
 - To provide outreach support on two of the grant BMPs (Objective 1 and 2)
 - To perform a survey of the Upper County Road portion of the watershed to develop a list of potential BMP projects

Gabe provided some background on the firm and an overview of how his firm will be approaching the various efforts. Gabe describe the survey work and questions on methodology (maps versus walk around). Gabe discussed some initial thoughts on the overall sampling process – as well as for specific BMPs. Gabe described how Stone had provided support to other outreach efforts they have worked on.

Much of the discussion was on the overall goals and benefits of Objective 4 (Culvert Investigation) - versus it's cost.

After Gabe left, the group reviewed the proposal, budgets and schedule. The discussion focused on:

- Questions around why to develop BMPs in Upper County Road watershed versus Brown Brook or other areas of greater concern.
- A general sampling discussion about requirements, needs, and frequency.
- Overall concern about needing to tie all work to the objectives in the grant proposal

The discussion ended with three action items:

- Develop a spreadsheet to detail the source and use of grant and MPPA funds
- Ask Stone Environmental to resubmit a scope/budget proposal focused on just the objectives from the grant proposal
- Review the overall grant status and possible costs adjustments with DES

- Due to the length of the presentation, the Board used the remaining time to quickly discuss some the remaining agenda items.

- A. The Board reviewed the plans for the annual meeting at the NL Historical Society on July 21st.
- B. Over 30 members participated in the spring culvert cleanup.
- C. 11 families will be participating in the Septic Cleanout program – and possible dates have been offered.
- D. Overall current membership status

- Board Meeting Schedule.

The proposed meeting schedule for the rest of the fiscal year:

7/21 - Annual Meeting

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Doyle