

Clear Creek Watershed Coalition
Board of Directors
5:00 pm, April 20, 2016
Council Chambers, Tiffin City Hall

Board Members Present: Iowa County – John Gahring; Coralville – John Lundell; Iowa City – Ben Clark; Oxford – Sara Morlan; Tiffin – Al Havens; Johnson County – Kate Giannini

Others Present: Amy Foster and Dan Holderness – Coralville; Jim Bartels – Tiffin; Vanessa Fixmer-Oraiz – HBK Engineering LLC; Kristina Duncan – Oxford resident; Larry Weber and Breanna Shea – Iowa Flood Center; Jennifer Fencel - ECICOG

Call to order and introductions: Chairperson Lundell called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm.

Approval of January 20, 2016 minutes: Motion by Gahring; second by Giannini to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

CCWC Watershed Planning Funds

- DNR contract: Fencel described how the contract and scope of work is set up for the DNR Watershed Planning funds.
- HUD – National Disaster Resiliency Competition (NDRC): Larry Weber from the Iowa Flood Center described the NDRC project and a kick-off meeting was set for June 15th at 5:00 pm.
- Draft Planning Budget: Fencel distributed a draft budget outlining how each watershed planning funding source would be utilized.

Clear Creek Watershed Planning Process: Fencel distributed an organizational chart for plan development along with a work plan and timeline for tasks throughout the process. Fencel also described the two main committees that would assist in plan development. The Technical Advisory Team and the Stakeholder Advisory Group will serve specific roles to complete the Clear Creek Watershed Management Plan. The Tech Team will have their first meeting on May 6th at 10:00 am in Coralville.

Introducing the CCWC: Fencel distributed some draft CCWC logos and a mock-up of a website. The Board decided to seek outside design assistance for the logo. Fencel will research options and bring information back to the Board.

Announcements: The City of Coralville has received \$2.7 million in green infrastructure funding through the SRF Sponsored Projects program. The Johnson County SWCD is hosting a bus tour of urban and rural conservation practices in the Clear Creek watershed on June 3rd. Kristina Duncan expressed interest in connecting the CCWC with Lou Licht of Ecolotree.

Next CCWC Board meeting: The next CCWC Board meeting will be at 5 pm on June 15, 2016 along with the kick-off event for the HUD NDRC project. A standing quarterly meeting date and time is established and other meetings may be called as needed. The regular CCWC Board schedule is the third Wednesday of each quarter at 5:00 at a location to be determined for each meeting. Upcoming meetings include:

- July 20th
- October 19th

Adjourn: Motion by Morlan, second by Giannini to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.