

Minutes from the Mahomet Aquifer Task Force Meeting

August 20, 2018

Place: Champaign Co. Board/Lyle Shields Meeting Rm Urbana, Illinois 61802

Time Started: 11:45AM

Time Adjourned: 12:00 PM

Members Present:

Charles Hostettler, PDC Technical Services

Alec Davis, Illinois Environmental Regulatory Group

Jim Risley, Mahomet-Seymour School District

Donovan Griffith, Illinois Manufacturers Association

Sen. Chapin Rose, 51st District (Landon Stenger)

Mayor Diane Marlin, City of Urbana

Claudia Lenhoff, Champaign County Health Consumers

Eric Ballenger, Republic Services

Steve Turner, Illinois Farm Bureau

George Roadcap, Prairie River Institute/Illinois State Water Survey

Mayor Larry Stoner, City of Monticello

Barb Lieberoff, Illinois EPA

Rick Cobb, Illinois EPA

TOPICS DISCUSSED:

Approval of the Minutes from August 6, 2018

Chairwomen Mayor Deb Feinen calls the meeting to order. Chairwomen Deb Feinen states that first item on the Agenda is approval of minutes from August 6, 2018 and asks if there any discussion or comments. Motion from Mayor Larry Stoner to approve. Second by Claudia Lenhoff. Chairwomen Deb Feinen asks for any other corrections or comments? All those in favor signify by saying "I" The motion to approve the minutes passes.

Sub-Committee A Update “Identifying potential and current contamination threat to the water quality of the Mahomet Aquifer”-Charles Hostetler

Chairwomen Deb Feinen comments that since the attendance for both meetings has not changed there is no need to for the update. The consensus is in agreement. For others who were not in attendance they can see the minutes.

Sub-Committee B Update “Identifying B Update “Identifying actions that might be taken to ensure the long-term protection of the Mahomet Aquifer”-Larry Stoner

Same as above.

Discussion of Final Work Product

We started to have this conversation in last Sub-Committee B. What do we want to bring to the Full Task Force? So, I'll turn this over to our Sub-Committee Chairs on how they see this playing out and what they will be bringing to the Full Task Force in September. Charles Hostetler comments that Sub-Committee A will have a narrative describing their “charge” and how they went about their business. This will be a modular list that can blend with what Sub-Committee B is doing and, in a way, can be discussed at the Full Task Force. Mayor Feinen sees heads nodding so there is consensus. Mayor Larry Stoner hopes that at the next meeting on September 4 they can finalize priority rankings. Mayor Larry Stoner's mic is inaudible. Jim Risley comments on the timeline sheet he is passing out that the September meeting come prepared on how you feel about those items. Jim talks about the 620 rules and is an example of overlap and we do not need to have that as a task in our report. Rick Cobb comments that you can could require communities to look at their source water assessments but if these new rules are adopted it would require them to do that. Mayor Deb Feinen comments that this is an example of the appendix we talked about where items are being done and we can put them here. Is everyone comfortable with the path we are going? Alec Davis comments on the bottom half of the worksheet template. Is Sub-Committee B going to be looking at the recommendations for that? Mayor Feinen comments we have the 9 items so that is something sub-committee B could be looking at. Mayor Feinen's mic become inaudible. Mayor Diane Marlin comments that the final report should show which recommendation would require new funding, like HTEM. Jim Risley comments that our charge is to give the recommendation and what is best.

Future Sub-Committee Meetings (September 17)

Chairwomen Mayor Deb Feinen comments that we have an extra Sub-Committee B meeting on September 4 and we have a Full Task Force meeting scheduled in Springfield for September 17. I think the plan is to have all 3 meetings again so if there is any last-minute information that can be handled. That way if there is consensus on information that is brought forth and if there is anything controversial I suggest some alternate language so that the Full Task Force is aware, and it can be discussed. That way we can identify for the legislature if we can't find consensus and that's okay. We have to give whoever is writing enough time.

Committee Comments

There were none

Public Comments

There was a letter from Joe Hooker and others that is being passed out and then Joe Hooker comes to the mic and asks the Task Force to consider some of their recommendations to prioritize and main concern to deal with wealth of info and the time you've been given and consider some of the comments in our letter.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn from Mayor Larry Stoner, seconded by Alec Davis. All those in favor signify by saying "I" Meeting adjourned.

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