

A MEETING OF THE STORMWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY OF JAMES CITY, VIRGINIA, WAS HELD ON THE 12th DAY OF NOVEMBER, TWO-THOUSAND NINE, AT 1:30 P.M. IN THE LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM OF BUILDING A OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT COMPLEX, 101-A MOUNTS BAY ROAD, JAMES CITY COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

1. ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present:

Robin Bledsoe, Berkeley
Charlie Brewster, Jamestown
Brian Noyes, CSWCD
Aaron Small, Berkeley
Debra Siebers, Berkeley
Roger Schmidt, Stonehouse
Mary Smallwood, Berkeley
Bob Winters, Powhatan

Committee Members Absent:

Thomas Abrials, Stonehouse
Terry Elkins, Powhatan
Todd Halacy, VDOT
Tracy Lassiter, VDOT
Jack Haldeman, Berkeley
Doug Haller, Roberts
Kathleen Lindsay, Stonehouse
Mac Mestayer, Jamestown
John Schmerfeld, Jamestown

Staff Present:

Darryl Cook, County Engineer
Suzanne Dyba, Stormwater Intern
Frances Geissler, Stormwater Director
John T.P. Horne, General Services Manager

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –

The approval of minutes was moved to the next regularly scheduled meeting.

5. ORDER OF BUSINESS

- a) Aaron Small gave a briefing on the presentation that he gave to the Board of Supervisors on November 10, 2009, about the Stormwater Program Advisory Committee's actions over the past year.

b) Fran Geissler stated that the purpose of the calling of the special meeting was for the committee to offer suggestions for a draft letter of recommendations to Sandy Wanner to send to the Department of Conservation and Recreation by 11/25/09. The letter would be the committee's suggestions for revisions to the new stormwater regulations. Darryl Cook passed out a summary of the proposed stormwater regulations. Discussion ensued about the possible recommendations for the new stormwater regulations to be made by the committee. The recommendations to be adopted by the Stormwater Program Advisory Committee are as follows:

- Support allowing localities to charge program in excess of the amounts specified in the regulations if the need for the fees can be demonstrated to the state.
- Ensure that the stormwater regulations and the ms4 regulations are consistent with each other to help prevent potential non-compliance issues.
- The buy-down program option needs to ensure that the state option is not chosen to the detriment of any local stormwater program. The state buy-down fee should not be established as a maximum fee for the local program if a local pro-rata share program exists. The state needs to encourage that a local stormwater fee program be used if one exists.
- Buy-down fees collected by the state must be used in the locality where they were collected. This will help ensure that the mitigation efforts resulting from the fees are used where the pollution source is located. This will assist with ms4 permit and TMDL compliance as new development will generate pollutant loads that will need to be offset.

Also included is the idea of confirming James City County's proactive approach to managing stormwater. The costs at the development stage are less than they will be later on when problems arise that will need to be dealt with.

c) The motion to adopt these recommendations were made by Charlie Brewster and seconded by Robin Bledsoe. The votes to carry the motion were all ayes.

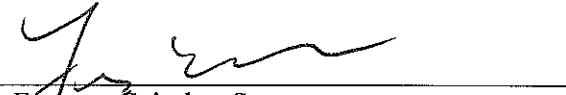
6. COMMITTEE DIRECTIVES –

A request was made to have a discussion of recommendations for the budget process.

7. ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 3:16.



Aaron Small, Chairman



Frances Geissler, Secretary