

MINUTES - ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING 3.16.2017

The meeting was called to order @ 5:45 PM, Thursday, March 16, 2016, in the North Conference room @ 21630 11th Avenue South, Des Moines with the following in attendance:

Council Members

Robert Back, Chair
Melissa Musser – Excused
Matt Pina

City Staff

Loren Reinhold, SWM Utility Manager
Brandon Carver, Engineering Svc Manager
Dan Brewer, Chief Operations Officer
Matt Hutchins, Asst City Attorney
Peggy Volin, Admin Asst II

AGENDA:

1. Approve minutes of the 1.19.2017 meeting
2. Barnes Creek Culvert Replacement Update
3. Municipal Storage Yard Stormwater BMP Improvement Plan
4. Public Works Yard Groundwater Remediation Update

MEETING:

1. Approve the minutes of the January 19, 2016 meeting: Unanimously approved.

SWM Utility Manager Loren Reinhold briefed the Committee on Midway Sewer's reported sewage overflows of 50,000 gallons within Saltwater Park and from 11th Avenue north of the Park and 256th Street on February 9 & 16. In addition, 660,000 gallons of waste was bypassed around the secondary treatment facilities at the Des Moines Creek Treatment Plant on February 9 due to extreme rainfall and high flows entering their plant.

2. Barnes Creek Culvert Replacement Update: SWM Utility Manager Loren Reinhold updated the Committee with a brief history of the Federal Court Injunction Related to Fish Passage that was issued in March 2013 that requires the state to significantly increase effort for removing state-owned culverts that block habitat for salmon and steelhead by 2030. The Barnes Creek Culvert is listed on the Injunction and is ranked in the top 1/3rd of the 800+ listed culverts but is not on WSDOT's 2017-19 biennium for replacement. The condition assessment that was done last year has been forwarded to WSDOT and their habitat team is re-evaluating the culvert's schedule given its poor condition. Staff will be meeting with WSDOT afterward to discuss the replacement schedule and potential partnership opportunities.
3. Municipal storage Yard Stormwater BMP Improvement Plan: Water Quality Specialist Tyler Beekley briefed the Committee on the proposed Scope of Work for preparing a facility plan for both the Public Works Service Center and the Public Works Maintenance

Shop sites. He gave a brief history of the Department of Ecology's site visit in December 2016 and summarized the progress report which included some before/after photos of both facilities. Staff will continue to move forward with this cleanup effort to bring both locations into compliance.

4. Public Works Yard Groundwater Remediation Update: SWM Utility Manager Loren Reinhold updated the Committee on the ongoing groundwater remediation occurring at the Public Works Maintenance Shop and provided and reviewed the consultant contract extension with AMEC for the continuation of the remediation for another two years. The proposal is scheduled for approval at the March 23 Council meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm

Minutes respectfully Submitted by: Peggy Volin, Admin Asst II