
Minutes for Western Allegheny Stormwater Awareness Group

Date: February 10, 2016

Attendees: Johnna Zona (North Fayette Township), Tim Cook (Findlay Township),
Lora Dombrowski (Moon Township), Natalie Thiess (Moon Township)

Topics Discussed:

- Providing West Allegheny schools the booklets that were purchased was discussed. North Fayette and Findlay Township will make packages of booklets and a survey to each of the 4th grade science teachers. The survey will be filled out by the teacher after the lessons are taught. The survey will ask their opinion on the booklets and lessons. Once completed and returned, the survey will be placed in the MS4 files.
- *Montour Run Watershed Association:* The MRWA is providing WASAG with 300 of their brochures to pass out during events. The brochure includes an application to join the Association. This will help WASAG complete the goal of doubling the Association's memberships by the end of the year.
- *Western Allegheny Community Library:* The library has posted their own Stormwater webpage and includes links to North Fayette Township's Stormwater Page. Once established, it will also include links to Oakdale Borough and Findlay Township's Stormwater webpages. The library also posted pictures of the display and a list of the books that were donated. The library has also gotten approval to build a raingarden. WASAG plans to help the library in any way that they can with the raingarden (i.e. design, volunteers, buying plants).
- *Botanical Gardens:* Baker Engineers were approached about donating the cost of the 2016 Raingarden Education Program. The date has not been established, but it is planned to occur in August 2016.
- Findlay Township in the near future will be placing a raingarden at their municipal building. WASAG is going to solicit public involvement and volunteers in helping build the raingarden.
- Moon Township is holding an informative rain barrel session in the summer for anyone wanting to learn about building a rain barrel for their property. WASAG is going to look into providing the public with opportunities of purchasing rain barrels from their local municipality.
- A suggestion was made that WASAG have a mascot to become the "face" of the group. Captain Stormwater and Timmy the Turtle were ideas that were discussed.

- Municipalities in WASAG are researching the purchasing or making of a watershed table display. This display would be equally owned and used by all members of WASAG.
- The Airport Authority, Collier Township and Coraopolis Borough will be informed of WASAG meetings, so they can send a representative, if wanted.

Next meeting is scheduled for March 17th, 2016 at 10:30am