

# PAPILLION CREEK WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP



## MEETING MINUTES

### Partnership Meeting

April 22, 2010 – 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM – Board Room  
Natural Resource Center, 8901 S 154<sup>th</sup> Street, Omaha, NE

#### Attendants:

The following were in attendance: Dorothy Lanphier (P-MRNRD Director), Shelley Schneider (NDEQ), Miranda Kaderly, Jeff Thompson (Papillion), Marty Leming (Papillion), Deb McGuire (NDEQ), Zach Jilek (E&A Consulting Group), Bob Sink (CH2M Hill), John Kottmann (La Vista), Rick Kolowski (P-MRNRD Director), Scott Kardell (Boys Town), Bobbi Holm (UNL Extension), Lucas Billesbach (Bennington/JEO), Marty Grate (Omaha), Jim Kee (Omaha), Rebecca Horner (Sarpy County), Jesse Poore (FHU Engineering), Paul Woodward (Olsson Associates), Pat O'Brien (NARD), Scott Japp (P-MRNRD Director), Lori Laster (P-MRNRD), and Amanda Grint (P-MRNRD)

#### Purpose

A meeting of the Partnership was held on the above date in order to discuss topics stated in the attached agenda. The meeting began at approximately 10:05 am.

#### 1. Introductions

- An agenda, sign-up sheet, and handouts were distributed.

#### 2. Update on Ordinances

- Bellevue, Boys Town, La Vista, Papillion, and Sarpy County have adopted the updated floodplain ordinance. Lori Laster noted that Gretna and Ralston are not required to update their ordinance at this time. Omaha's status is unknown. Marty Grate will check with the Planning Department to determine the status of the update.

#### 3. Ozone and Impacts to the Metropolitan Area – Pat O'Brien, NARD and Deb McGuire, NDEQ

- Pat O'Brien, Nebraska Association of Resource Districts, and Deb McGuire, Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality, gave a presentation to the Partnership on the upcoming ozone regulations proposed by EPA. The presentation included information on current ozone levels in and near the Omaha metropolitan area and what the proposed regulations may mean for the communities. The EPA regulations are currently under review and a decision is expected to be reached by August 2010. The states will then have an expedited schedule to get their plan in place. Ozone levels near the metro are close to the expected regulation levels. The presentation is available on the Partnership's website. The City of Omaha has been working with NDEQ and



provided the Partnership with outreach brochures that they have created to show how you can reduce ozone levels through individual actions.

#### 4. Post Construction Stormwater Management Plan Tracking Website – Jesse Poore, FHU

- Jesse Poore, Felsburg, Holt and Ulevig (FHU) gave an update to the Partnership on the developing Post Construction Stormwater Management Tracking website. The City of Omaha has hired FHU to develop a website to track and manage post construction stormwater management plans similar to the Erosion Control website that is used by all Partnership members. This website will not only help to meet the requirements of the Stormwater Management Plan for the communities in the Partnership but it will also make reviewing the plans and sharing data much easier. It was noted during discussion that the Post Construction Stormwater Forms need to be modified to fit with each individual communities needs. It was decided that a meeting would be set up so that Partnership members could all contribute to the information that is included on the forms.

#### 5. Other Items of Interest

- Paul Woodward, Olsson Associates, addressed the group about the EPA grant that had been discussed at previous meetings and the opportunity that the group has to apply for a grant to complete a Natural Resources Inventory (NRI) of the watershed. Amanda Grint, PMRNRD, noted that the NRI could help the Partnership in the future to further develop its stormwater policies and watershed management plan. This first step would be to gather the information and create a database and GIS map of the natural resources in the watershed focusing on stream channels, wetlands and riparian areas. The deadline for the grant application is May 20<sup>th</sup>. It was decided that the grant application would be submitted and if approved the Partnership would vote on completing the NRI.
- A dedication ceremony for the expansion of Allwine Prairie through the purchase of the Glacier Creek property is being held on May 26<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm. The dedication ceremony will celebrate the recent land purchase which preserves the ecosystem from Allwine along Glacier Creek to the floodplain of the Big Papillion Creek. A short ceremony at 3pm will be followed by a nature walk to view the newly purchased area.

#### 9. Next Meeting Date

- The May meeting is scheduled for May 27, 2010 at 10 am.

#### 10. Adjourn

- The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:40 am. An agenda, attendance list, and the handouts passed out at the meeting are available upon request.

Please contact Lori Laster at 444-6222 regarding any questions or comments concerning these meeting minutes.