

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
JOINT ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF
THE VILLAGE OF CAMPTON HILLS AND CAMPTON TOWNSHIP
April 27, 2010 7:00 P.M.
AT THE CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 40W451 FOX MILL BLVD
IN THE VILLAGE OF CAMPTON HILLS, KANE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

A special meeting of the Joint Environmental Resource Management Committee (Joint ERMC) of the Village of Campton Hills and Campton Township was called to order at 7:08 P.M. by Committee Chair George.

Call to Order

a. Confirmation of posting of Meeting Notice

Committee Chair (CC) George affirmed that meeting notice was properly posted.

II. Roll Call

Secretary Linke called the roll.

Present in person at the roll call:

CC George, Committee Member (CM) Kopec, CM Shouba, CM Linke

Absent: CM Fredrick & CM Kupar

Also Present: Jeff and Matt Narish, Jason Navota (CDF), Tom Price (CDF)

III. Approval of 3/23/10 minutes

CM Kopec motioned to approve the Meeting Minutes of the 3/23/10 Joint ERMC meeting. Seconded by CM Shouba. Vote to approve was unanimous.

IV. Public Comments

Matt Narish, a local Boy Scout, introduced himself and indicated that he was attending the meeting with his father as part of his effort to obtain his Communications Merit Badge.

VI. Update from Educational Workgroup Chairman

CC George indicated that Educational Workgroup Chairperson (EWC) Stephanie Golemba does not have the time to organize the events that the Joint ERMC may hold in the future, but she would like to continue as Chairperson and do the write-ups for future educational events done by the committee. CC George will assume the responsibility of coordinating events for the time being, specifically coordinating the planned rain garden workshop, which is tentatively planned to occur on Saturday June 5th, at the Campton Community Center. Thursdays were considered, but Community Center is usually booked up on weekdays in the evening.

CC George is also talking with the Community Relations Committee about jointly holding this rain garden workshop.

VII. Discussion and motion to approve Green Infrastructure Map and Report by Rob Linke

Committee members reviewed the draft Green Infrastructure report prepared by Rob Linke of Trotter & Associates, Inc. A discussion followed about suggested revisions to the report text, tables and maps. Much of the discussion centered around mapping of historic tree locations (from 1939 aerials) versus remaining woodlands and how aquifer sensitivity layers were represented in the green infrastructure evaluation zone layer depicted on the maps.

CC George requested that Trotter & Associates, Inc. provide hardcopies of the report to Zoning Officer Ranieri and Village President Smith for review and comment and to have a short meeting with them to discuss the report and the Village's green infrastructure. Rob indicated he would correspond with Mr. Ranieri and Pres. Smith to hold that meeting before the next Joint ERMC meeting. A central focus of the meeting will be to discuss where the Village will keep and access the green infrastructure map data.

VIII. Discussion and motion to approve committee input to SWAT/Conservation Design Forum

Jason Navota of Conservation Design Forum indicated that he had sent out responses to the Joint ERMC's review comments on the SWAT ordinance documents. There was an apparent email snafu and most of the Joint ERMC members did not receive the updated SWAT documents with the responses to review comments. Therefore rather than conduct detailed review of the responses during the meeting, CDF led a general discussion explaining how the SWAT responses were organized. Discussion of a few specific responses included topics such as the feasibility of successfully operating land application wastewater systems in NE Illinois.

The agreed course of action is that the Joint ERMC will review the SWAT responses and send final comments back to SWAT by the next meeting. SWAT will then make final revisions to the documents and then submit them to the Joint ERMC for distribution to the Village and Township boards & plan commissions. The Joint ERMC will continue to review and digest the documents and eventually consider making ordinance recommendations to the Village and Township.

CC George reported that the Village, in going through its budget, has budgeted for hiring professional help on updating the Village's Comprehensive Land Use Plan. The Village is currently working with SWAT to apply for additional grant funding to help update the Plan. The grant being applied for is on the order of \$10,000 - \$20,000. If funded, the Village would likely retain CDF to assist in the Comp Plan update and the Joint ERMC would be invited to participate and provide direct input in the Plan update process.

The Joint ERMC decided to table the final approval of the documents prepared by SWAT/CDF so that committee members could review the responses and provide further feedback to SWAT.

IX. Discussion and motion to appoint committee members to investigate nuisance weed ordinances related to invasive plants

CC Shouba and CC Linke are continuing their review of the local invasive & noxious weed ordinances. Ultimately, there are omissions and inaccuracies in the existing state noxious weed laws that suggest that the Village and Township should consider creating their own updated ordinance that includes noxious weeds that should be prevented from spreading into the community. The Joint ERMC also agreed that there should be a dividing line between a nuisance weed ordinance to prohibit new weeds and the outreach component to educate residents as to how to manage/reduce the existing nuisance plants on their property.

X. Additional Items from Chairman, Committeemen, Staff, or Citizens.

The Joint ERMC discussed the letter from the Village to the IEPA indicating support for a grant to SWAT to allow additional assistance by SWAT to the Village to update the Village's Comprehensive Plan.

CM Shouba mentioned that he had visited the Village website and noted that there are a few items that need to be updated, such as including all 4 historic buildings. CC George said she would make the suggestion to review and update the Village website at the next Village Board Meeting.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting was tentatively set for 25th of May, 2010 at 7PM at the United Church of Christ Congregational Church, 40W451 Fox Mill Blvd.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by CM Shouba and seconded by CM Kopec to adjourn the meeting at 10:19 P.M. A voice vote was unanimous to adjourn. CC George declared the motion passed and the meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:

Secretary Linke
Date: 5/19/10

Approved by:

Committee Chair George

Date: _____