

Minutes
Fox River Study Group
Board of Directors Meeting
Fox Metro Water Reclamation District
August 23, 2018

Introductions

Board members present: Bob Trueblood, Mark Phipps, Rob Linke, Art Malm, Tom Muth, Cindy Skrukrud, Megan Andrews

Others present: Cyrus McMains, Clint Bailey, Carl Fischer, Karen Clementi, Amy Underwood, Chris Walton, Scott LaVanne, Ken Krueger, Tim Jusklewicz, Rishab, Mhajan, Tim Rubis, Megan Miklosik, Mike Tucker, Jack Russell, Gregg Buchner, Matt Bardol, Holly Hudson, Eric Weiss, Tim Wilson, Beth Adler, Chuck Roberts

Approval of Minutes of June 27 meeting: Motion by Bob Trueblood, Seconded by Mark Phipps, Passed

Actions taken since June meeting

July 2, 2018 Motion by Mark, second by Kyla to modify the Geosyntec contract and to approve the USGS monitoring contract as described in Cindy's 6/29/18 e-mail. Motion passed. Ayes: Mark, Kyla, Art, Rob, Bob, Megan, Byron, Tom, Cindy

Geosyntec Contract We recommend that the board support Geosyntec's request to move Model Pre and Post Processor Development and its cost of \$6,000 from Task 4-Scenario modeling to Task 1-Update & Recalibrate the Model. We recommend the board provide an additional budget of \$2500 to cover Geosyntec presentations at the August and October meetings.

USGS Contract We request now that the board approve the Monitoring Committee finalizing a contract not to exceed \$90,000 so USGS can get the equipment deployed as soon as possible.

Treasurer's Report – Tom

Financial report presented. 2017 Audit and 990 statements reviewed. Motion to approve by Bob Trueblood, Seconded by Mark Phipps, Passed.

- Bills to pay
 - DEI for June (\$911.25) and July (\$810)
 - Geosyntec for June (\$3846.25) and July (\$1821.25)
 - FRWRD for USGS: April-June (\$2840.11)
 - Porte-Brown for audit (\$2600)

Motion to pay invoices – Bob Trueblood, Seconded by Art Malm, Passed.
Kane County grants reimbursements- Cindy is working on these.

Updates

- WWTP data gathering update- Karen Clementi

Received St. Charles Data. It was determined the cutoff date would be September 7th 2018.

- Modeling work update- Rishab Mahajan, Geosyntec (see presentation)
Model still needs “tweeking” in terms of Diurnal Temperatures, Montgomery flows and needs to include areas with direct drainage into the Fox River.
- USGS probe at Stratton Dam- Clint Bailey
Contract for probe work has been signed by FRWRD. Everything has been purchased and to be installed August 27. Data will be available on USGS website under “Fox River Near McHenry”.
- Cindy reported NPDES permits being issued with Fox River major plants’ special conditions.
- Army Corps Fox River Habitat & Connectivity Study update- Cindy
Cindy provided report-back from IDNR’s Lawrence Patterson on the IDNR/Army Corps August 6 meeting. IDNR is to send additional information to Army Corps then they will discuss moving forward with the study.
- Diatom blooms in Fox River -Karen
Karen reported that “experts” from Indiana University are researching diatom blooms. There was a bloom on Aug. 14. She will provide more information at the September meeting.

Discussion Items

- Mill Creek Watershed-based plan-Holly Hudson, CMAP
CMAP will be invoicing the FRSG.
- draft Water Quality Trends Report- Laura Keefer, ISWS
Discussion was had on how the FRSG will use the report, edits to make the report easier to understand and use in FRSG future presentations.
- Bluestem Contract for Fall Listening sessions-Communications Committee
Motion made by Bob Trueblood, Seconded by Tom Muth for a “not to exceed amount” of \$12,000 to Bluestem for Fall Listening Sessions. Communications Committee to negotiate Contract with Bluestem.

Next meeting date-September 27, 9:30 am Fox Metro