



Lower Kansas WRAPS Meeting Summary

Monday, December 14, 2009

Sunset Building, Rm. 1010

11811S. Sunset Drive

Olathe, KS

Rick Davis, Lower Kansas WRAPS Coordinator, welcomed everyone.

Attendees introduced themselves and the organization they are affiliated with.

Meeting attendees included Jerry Wooley, Susan Garrett, Tom Norman, Amanda Reed, Heather Schmidt, Cheri Miller, Jim Weaver, Dave Bruton, Mike Eplar, Trevor Flynn, Will Boyer, Dane Baxa, Jeff Bunch, Ginny Moore, and Laura Calwell.

● Business Meeting

Overview of Lower Kansas WRAPS Nine Element Plan

Rick Davis gave an overview of the Lower Kansas WRAPS Nine Element Plan which has been completed and submitted to the KDHE – Watershed Management Section.

A copy of the plan can be downloaded from the KAWS website at

<http://www.kaws.org/files/kaws/Draft%20Final%20LK%20Nine%20Element%20Plan%2012%2001%2009.pdf> You may have to cut and paste the address into your web browser.

The plan will be reviewed by KDHE, which will provide comments to be addressed before it is submitted to EPA for approval.

Friends of the KAW (FOK) / Johnson County Stormwater Grant

Laura Calwell gave an overview of the Johnson County Stormwater Grant submitted by Friends of the Kaw, which includes \$3,000 for the Lower Kansas WRAPS to do a workshop and BMP tour for agricultural producers in Johnson County and the Lower Kansas River watershed. The grant also includes money for Friends of the Kaw to implement a BMP at De Soto Riverfest Park with input from the City of De Soto and the Lower Kansas WRAPS

EARTH and Waterlink Programs

Dane Baxa, Coordinator for the EARTH and Waterlink Programs, gave an overview of the services he can provide. A separate attachment outlines what EARTH can provide. Dane recently became the Waterlink coordinator, so he is still getting his feet on the ground.

Leavenworth County Livestock Producer Workshop

Jerry Wooley, Leavenworth County CD, and Jason Schmidt, Kansas Rural Center, facilitated a discussion on a livestock producer workshop to be held in Tonganoxie in February. The meeting will target livestock producers in the Stranger Creek

watershed. Speakers were discussed and the possibility of giving away BMP door prizes for targeted producers in Stranger Creek.

Stranger Creek Aerial Assessment

Funding has been allocated to do an aerial assessment of Stranger Creek. The LK WRAPS has suggested a linear assessment of Stranger Creek rather than focusing on one HUC 12. According to John Bond, KAWS, past linear assessments roughly comprise 2,000 ft. on both sides of the stream. The proposed assessment would begin at the Atchison – Leavenworth Co. line.

Lower Kansas WRAPS SFY 2011 KDHE 319 Grant Proposal

The Lower Kansas WRAPS will need to apply for additional funding to continue work in the Lower Kansas watershed. The LK is eligible to apply for \$150,000/yr. for a maximum of three years. KDHE will begin accepting applications online approximately January 4 – February 12, 2010. Rick will compile a draft budget, based on guidance from the LK SLT.

Next Lower Kansas WRAPS Meeting

The next Lower Kansas WRAPS meeting is scheduled for January 7, 2010 at the Wyandotte County Conservation District office.

Submitted by Rick Davis
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