

WALNUT CREEK WATERSHED



Walnut Creek Watershed Management Authority Board Meeting

8:00 - 10:00, July 29

West Des Moines City Hall

MINUTES

WMA Members Present:

John Shultz, Dallas County Soil and Water Conservation District
Jane Clark, Polk County Soil & Water Conservation District
Jennifer Welch, Polk County Soil & Water Conservation District
Bob Rice, Polk County
Susan Judkins, City of Clive
Doug Ollendike, City of Clive
Scott Hutchens, City of Des Moines
Dan Pritchard, City of Des Moines
Steven Soupier, City of Grimes
Dave McKay, City of Urbandale
Andy Kass, City of Waukee
Darren Fife, City of Windsor Heights
Sheena Danzer, City of Windsor Heights

Others Present:

Rob Hayes
Clifford Leonard
Sean McMahon, Iowa Ag Water Alliance
Jim Jordahl, Iowa Ag Water Alliance
Donna Ramaker Zahn, Iowa Ag Water Alliance

Consultants Present

Ryan Peterson, RDG
Greg Pierce, RDG
Mark Land, Snyder and Associates
Kyle Riley, Snyder and Associates
Amanda Corrigan, Polk SWCD
Mark Runkel, Dallas, SWCD

MPO Staff Present:

Todd Ashby, Executive Director
Teva Dawson, Senior Transportation Planner

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:05.
2. All present introduced themselves.
3. The agenda was approved with the deletion of the approval of minutes agenda item.
4. Project Status Overview:
 - October members should expect to receive a draft of the entire plan.
 - There will be another public open house in October.
 - A member asked about the roll-out plan to the elected officials.
 - i. Mindful of fall municipal elections, so some turn over in policy makers
 - ii. Focus on conservation practices and how they lead to conservation outcomes, cost benefit analysis important

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5. Field Assessment – Interns from the Polk and Dallas County Soil and Water Conservation Districts provided an overview of the stream assessments conducted this summer. They looked at soil loss and sediment delivery. See presentation linked [here](#).
6. Flood Modeling Update – Synder and Associates provided an overview of past modeling work and current updates. See presentation linked [here](#).
7. Water Quality Modeling – RDG is developing the model for the three selected subwatersheds.
8. Next meeting: TBD
9. MPO staff mentioned a potential grant opportunity coming from the DNR. A meeting will be scheduled for August to authorize an application.
10. Adjourned at 9:32