

Hickory Creek Watershed Partnership Education Subcommittee

January 10, 2012

Minutes

- I. *Report from Hickory Creek Watershed Partnership Meeting:* At the 11-1-11 meeting, the group developed a mission statement and a resolution of support. The group now has a face book page. The group wants to educate municipal leaders and get them to sign on in support of the project. The next meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on January 31 at the Lincoln Township office.
- II. *School Contacts for Survey Volunteers:* Jack reported that he has made contacts with Bridgman, Lakeshore, and St. Joseph high schools and has received cooperation. The contacts will be awaiting word about the specifics relative to the survey.
- III. *Training Program for Survey Volunteers:* There was no information about the training component.
- IV. *Survey Instrument:* The survey is ready.
- V. *Environmental Laboratory for Elementary and Middle School Students:* This project was discussed briefly, but it was decided to table action on this while we plan for the survey of the creek.
- VI. *Survey Preparations:* It was suggested that we perform the survey more than once per year. (Possibly, we should do a survey each quarter.) It was suggested that we do the survey from street crossing and that we include pictures as part of the data. Jack agreed to call Gay regarding timelines and preparations. He will then call the school contacts to set a date and arrange for the volunteers. A meeting was scheduled for 6:00, Tuesday, February 7, 2012 at the Lincoln Township Library to plan the implementation of the survey.
- VII. *Adult Education Activities:* This project was discussed briefly, but it was decided to table action on this while we plan for the survey of the creek.

Respectfully submitted by Jack Houser.

Next Meeting: 6:00 p.m. 2/7/12

