

# ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, June 22, 2022, at 5:30 PM Council Chambers - City Hall, 3rd Floor 1717 E. Park Street, Two Rivers, WI 54241

## **MINUTES**

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

### 2. ROLL CALL AND CHECK ON REMOTE PARTICIPANTS

Board Members: Donald DeBruyn, Darla LeClair, Jay Orvis, Larry Thomas, Katherine Dahlke (virtually), Brian Henrickson (absent), Ben Meinnert (absent)
Others in attendance: Jason Ring, Tracey Koach, Nick Vande Hey (PE, VP; McMahon Associates)
Staff: Jim McDonald (Public Works Director/City Engineer), Scott Ahl (City Engineer II)

#### 3. REVIEW LAST MINUTES - APPROVE OR CORRECT

Minutes were approved from April 26th meeting

- 4. PUBLIC INPUT
- 5. NICK VANDE HEY (PE, VP; McMahon Associates) Review TMDL
  - East and West Twin Rivers are classified as impaired waterways for phosphorous; EPA requires TMDL to determine amount of pollutant a water body can handle to meet water quality standards
  - Step 1 DNR performed study to determine base line loads of phosphorous and total suspended solids
  - Step 2 determined loading capacity for East and West Twin Rivers is 75 µg/L parts per billion)
  - Step 3 allocate load reduction at same percentage among controllable sources, including agriculture, individual permits, permitted MS4, non-permitted urban, general permits, and reserve allocation
  - Reviewed allocation capacity/distribution
    - West Twin is ok; East Twin is 15% from current; Molash Creek is a small basin is 69% reduction; noted, 20<sup>th</sup>/Eggers pond is not in these numbers
    - Next MS4 permit expected to be issued in 2024 would reflect the above numbers and give 20 years to comply
  - able to do water quality trading but there can be trading ratios; also, credits can have a time limit (typically 10 years +/-) at which time city will need to find other
  - work with farmers and development groups to provide alternative practices
  - "No Mow May" purpose is to not mow during May and to improve pollinator viability; look at alternatives such as pollinator gardens; providing education fulfills some requirements in the MS4 annual permit
- 6. NEW ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION
- 7. DISCUSS IDEAS FOR HIGHLIGHTING SOME OF THE GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE CONCEPTS
- 8. ADVISORY BOARD "NEXT STEPS"
- 9. OTHER ITEMS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD, WITH CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF NEEDED

#### 10. SET DATE, TIME, AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING

Next meeting will be held Tuesday, July 19, 2022, at 5:30pm

#### 11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made to adjourn at 7:25 pm