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North Branch of the Chicago River Watershed Planning Council

AGENDA

Tuesday, September 3, 2019

10:00 a.m.

Lincolnwood Village Hall

6900 N. Lincoln Avenue

Lincolnwood, IL

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Roll Call**
- III. June 4, 2019 Meeting Notes (Attachment A)**
- IV. North Branch Watershed Capital Improvement Projects Update**
Paul Jacobs will provide an update on the capital improvement projects in the watershed.
- V. Small Stream Maintenance Program Update**
Paul Jacobs will provide status report on the MWRD's Small Stream Maintenance Program.
- VI. Watershed Management Ordinance Update**
Michael Cunico will provide and update on Watershed Management Ordinance.
- VII. Other Business**
- VIII. Next Meeting**
The next meeting of the North Branch of the Chicago River Watershed Planning Council will be held on Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the Lincolnwood Village Hall.
- IX. Adjournment**

North Branch Chicago River Watershed Planning Council
Lincolnwood Village Hall
6900 North Lincoln Avenue, Lincolnwood, IL
Tuesday June 4, 2019
Meeting Minutes

Present:

Mark Fowler, NWMC
Vasile Jurca, City of Chicago
Dan Feltes, MWRD
Brian Levy, MWRD
Jorge Cruz, Village of Wilmette
Chris Tomich, Village of Morton Grove

Robyn Flakne, Village of Glenview
Leilani Kobzina, Village of Glenview
Ingrid Eckersberg, City of Evanston
Paul Jacobs, MWRD
Gerardo Mendez, FFC

Mark Fowler called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and asked attendees to introduce themselves. Mr. Fowler introduced Paul Jacobs from the MWRD to provide an update on the watershed capital improvement projects since the last meeting. Mr. Jacobs noted that there are 133 Phase 1 and Phase 2 projects in the watershed, along with 20 space to grow projects in conjunction with Chicago Public Schools. He noted that, of those 133 projects, 42 are completed and 16 of the 20 space to grow projects are completed. Mr. Jacobs then provided details on the capital improvements projects in the watershed and the appropriate MWRD staff member contacts. Mr. Jacobs reviewed other programs and initiatives including the flood-prone property acquisition program, FEMA pre-disaster mitigation grant program, green infrastructure program, storm water master plan initiative and North Branch of the Chicago River stream and detention basin inventory.

Mr. Levy provided an overview and update of the MWRD small streams maintenance program, which began in 2006. He also provided information on the MWRD rain barrel program and Restore the Canopy initiative. Mr. Feltes gave an update on the Watershed Management Ordinance (WMO) and noted the amendments approved by the MWRD Board of Directors on May 16. He said that a number of new forms have been released and encouraged everyone to make sure that they are accessing and submitting the newest forms by visiting the MWRD website. Mr. Feltes noted recent updates including those to the earth work foundation permit, single family home flowchart, utility work flowchart and technical guidance manual. With regard to the WMO changes, Mr. Feltes said that the release rate for the North Branch would remain at .3 CFS. He said MWRD added the updated Bulletin 70 rainfall data based on the latest Illinois state water survey along with the redevelopment allowances and methodologies. Mr. Feltes noted that these three WMO updates are effective January 1, 2020. Finally, he noted that the technical guidance manual will be updated based on the latest WMO amendments.

There being no further business, Mr. Fowler adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.