



## ***LGROW Technical Committee***

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### ***Meeting Notice-Minutes***

**To:** LGROW Technical Committee  
**Where:** Gotomeeting  
**When:** Wednesday, June 17, 2020, 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

### **Minutes**

1. Welcome and Introductions
  - a. Last meeting was Feb. 12 at the Kent County Recycling Center
  - b. Attendance: Aaron, Cara, Dan, Peter, Jim, Kelsey, Rachell, Angie, Greg
2. LGROW Update
  - a. MS4 Permits
    - i. Grand Rapids Township Public Notice period: June 16-July 15
    - ii. Cascade Township Public Notice period anticipated before the end of the month
      1. Kent Co. Township permits (Plainfield incl. anticipated soon), no comments expected
  - b. Committee Updates
    - i. Sustainability Committee- RCPP grant moving along, Kent Cons. District- hired a farmer full time and now have grant money (319) for more outreach. LGROW submitted for a grant to fund the Water Trail. Not meeting again until September. Grand River Expedition is postponed until 2021.
    - ii. Public Ed.- giveaways are ready for pickup at GVMC
    - iii. Subwatershed- Buck Creek cleanup Aug 18.
    - iv. SWOrd- will have meeting on June 29, Cara to send out details
3. TMDL Manual Review
  - a. Comments received from MS4s were included before last meeting
  - b. EGLE expectations and BMP implementation were discussed at the last meeting
  - c. EGLE didn't give us great recommendations or a direction forward. But how do we do this without funding, and with limited resources
  - d. Need to add info about how to prioritize sewersheds and BMPs (look at Rouge River)

- i. Need data to determine this. Can add more info about prioritization after data is collected
    - e. Cara needs to edit and then send to EGLE to get feedback
      - i. Right now the plan specifies taking samples during wet weather events. However, EGLE didn't clarify that samples actually had to be taken during wet events. Cara will follow up.
        - 1. Confirmed 6.23.2020- samples must be taken in wet weather per C. Alwin, EGLE
      - ii. LGROW will add information about how we will prioritize areas in the future after sampling into the TMDL Implementation Plan
    - f. TMDL on unnamed trib- pumped down 2010-2018 through the unnamed trib, but now it is trucked offsite and discharged into the Grand River (Knapp's Corner discussion)
4. What kind of support does your community need from LGROW right now?
  - a. Progress Reports- won't be due until 2021 so no reporting this summer
  - b. Missing prime public outreach period- is there anything else we can do?
  - c. Need training support
5. Lower Grand River Watershed Resilience Plan
  - a. What kind of related plans already exist in your community?
    - i. Wyoming, Walker, KCDC- nothing
    - ii. GR already captured
    - iii. If you want to review this plan, let Cara know
6. Upcoming Events
  - a. Sampling events?
    - i. No need to sample now for TMDL- need to complete all samples by Oct. 1 2023- we could skip this season, need to determine wet or dry samples first
    - ii. Regular sampling still occurring- Buck Creek, River Run
  - b. Training Opportunities
    - i. P2GH Training Video
      - 1. Wyoming watched the training video, thought it was good
      - 2. Cara will send this video out with the supplemental guidance, and will also send a recording of the MWEA presentation with LimnoTech about TMDL work for everyone to see
    - ii. It would be helpful for communities if Cara reminded them about training requirements a month or so before progress report forms are due
  - c. Next Technical Meeting – Aug. 19, meeting outdoors on GVMC's deck (virtual meeting as backup)
7. Adjourn

**MS4 Website:** <https://www.lgrow.org/ms4>