1. Welcome and Introductions
   a. Roll Call of Alliance Members and Alternates Present
   b. Addition or Changes to Draft Agenda
   c. Approval of October 14, 2010 meeting notes  Action

2. Finance Committee Report
   a. Current ADW Financial Status  Information
   b. Consultant Contracts
   c. 2011 Dues Invoices

3. North Branch Ecorse Creek Flood Risk Management Study
   Wayne County/US Army Corps of Engineers - Update and Floodplain Management Plan  Information

4. Update on Contested Permit and MDEQ Permit Briefing
   a. Progress report  Information
   b. December 20th MDEQ Permit Briefing report  Information
   c. Next steps  Information

5. Election of New Vice Chair and Treasurer  Action

6. Watershed Management Plan Updates  Information
   a. Draft Plans
   b. Overall Schedule

7. Upcoming Grants  Information
   a. GLRI, Sustain our Great Lakes, and S2

8. Other Items and Announcements  Information
   a. SEMCOG Update
      o GLRI Green Streets Grant
      o DWSD Green Infrastructure Projects
      o City Green Analysis Grant
      o SWPPP, PIPP, and other storm water services
   b. ADW Bylaws Revisions

9. Summary of Action Items and Items for Next Meeting  Information

10. Set Next Meeting Date

11. Adjourn
1) Welcome: Mark Gahry from Van Buren Township opened the meeting. In attendance were:

Designated or Alternate Community Representative:
- Mark Gahry, Brownstown Township
- Mark Gaworecki, Belleville, Woodhaven (alternate), Southgate (alternate)
- Neil Greene, Woodhaven-Brownstown School District
- Mark Kowalewski, City of Wyandotte
- Dave Mackie, City of Taylor
- Tim Walsh, Village of South Rockwood
- Dan Brooks, Dearborn Heights (alternate)
- Brent Florek; Melvindale, Riverview, Grosse Ile Township, Gibraltar (alternate for each)
- Karen Mondora, Huron Township (alternate)
- Noel Mullett, Wayne County (alternate)
- Derrick Schueller, City of Romulus (Alternate)
- Bill Turner, City of Lincoln Park (Alternate)
- Bruce Wood, Huron Township (alternate)

Other Interested Parties:
- Razik Alsaigh, Wayne County
- Bob Burns, Friends of the Detroit River
- Jim Gorris, City of Gibraltar
- Leah Groya, Wade-Trim
- Jan Hauser, URS
- Jessica Koerner, MDNRE
- Ric Lawson, HRWC
- Amy Mangus, SEMCOG
- Patrick McCauley
- Robert McCraight, City of Romulus
- Kelly McRobb-Ackland, Wade-Trim for Allen Park and Taylor
- Doug Morton, City of Allen Park
- Vicki Putala, OHM
- Elizabeth Riggs, Huron River Watershed Council
- Brian Woodworth, Wade-Trim for Brownstown
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1) Welcome and Introductions
   a. Roll Call of Alliance Members and Alternates Present – roll call was performed and a quorum was present.
   b. Addition or Changes to Draft Agenda – There were no proposed changes to the agenda
   c. Approval of October 14, 2010 meeting notes. **ACTION**: There was a motion by S. Rockwood to accept the October 14, 2010 meeting notes. The motion was 2nd by SRomulus. Passed unanimously.

2) Finance Committee Report
   a. Razik presented the current 2010 Budget Financial Status Report. There is a remaining balance of $428,000, with about $140,000 in invoices to be paid from this amount. The budget will be balanced after the last invoices are received and some money will need to be carried over to 2011. A budget amendment will be required at the next meeting.
   b. Consultant contracts with OHM and HRWC were approved and executed for 2011 services.
   c. 2011 dues invoices will be mailed the week of January 17th. All members except for Flat Rock are current.

3) North Branch Ecorse Creek Flood Risk Management Study
   • Sue Hanson (Wayne County), Jan Hauser (URS), and Adam Fox (USACE) presented a powerpoint presentation on the North Branch Ecorse Creek Flood Risk Management Study. The study is a partnership between the USACE and Wayne County. The study started in May 2010 and is scheduled for completion in October 2011. The results of the study will determine the level of Federal involvement. The estimated project timeline and purpose of the Floodplain Management Plan were also discussed.
   • Project contacts are Kelly Cave (Wayne County, 313-224-8282) and Jan Hauser (URS, 248-204-4140).
   • The project team will utilize the updated Ecorse Creek Watershed Management Plan during the study phase.
   • Vicki Putala recommended that the project team consider adding water quality improvements to the flood control project as appropriate.
   • Anyone interested in receiving project update notifications can be added to the information list by contacting Jan or Kelly.

4) Update on Contested Permit
   a. Patrick McCauley summarized the status of the stormwater permit litigation pending in Ingham County Circuit Court;
   • Circuit Court Judge Manderfield issued her Opinion and Order on November 19, 2010 ruling that the Communities claim that the 2008 permits violated the Headlee Amendment to the Michigan Constitution as unlawful unfunded mandates was proper, would remain in her court and rejected the State’s defenses to the claim. The Judge also ruled that some of the Communities claims challenging the 2008 permits required factual determinations and those claims were returned to the administrative proceedings. The Judge also ruled that the State’s conduct violated applicable court rules, but was not inclined to grant sanctions at this time.
   • The State has requested the Michigan Court of Appeals to review Judge Manderfield’s ruling and requested that Court to order a stay of the Circuit Court
The Court of Appeals has the matter under advisement and the Communities have opposed the matter.

- On November 30, 2010, the MDEQ withdrew the 2008 permits, returning most Communities to be regulated under the 2003 permits. In addition, the State requested the Administrative Law Judge to close the contested case. The A.L.J. has rejected this request.
- On January 12, 2011, the Circuit Court Judge Manderfield issued her Order allowing the Communities to amend their complaints to raise Headlee constitutional challenges to both the 2003 permits and the 2003 state stormwater administrative rules.
- On January 14, 2011 the Communities filed a Motion for Summary Disposition requesting the Circuit Court Judge rule that the 2008 permits had violated the Headlee Amendment which, if the Circuit Judge agrees would open up the opportunity for the Communities to recover their attorney fees.

b. DNRE withdrew the 2008 general and jurisdictional stormwater permits and COCs in November 2010. A briefing was held by DNRE on December 20, 2010 to discuss impacts to MS4 permittees. Generally speaking, if a permittee was contesting the 2008 permit, they should continue to operate under their 2003 COC as they had been doing throughout the Contested Case process. Permittees with a 2008 COC will revert back to the 2003 permit and COC and those that did not have a permit prior to 2008 will need to get an ACO from the State. Those interested in being involved in a stakeholder group should contact Bill Creal (DNRE, CREALW@michigan.gov). There was discussion about having the ADW represented at the stakeholder group. **Motion was made to authorize OHM to attend any stakeholder meetings held before the next ADW meeting and provide a report to the group at that time. Moved by Dearborn Heights, supported by S. Rockwood. Motion carried.**

5) **Election of New Vice Chair and Treasurer**
   - Dan Swallow is no longer with Van Buren Township leaving a vacancy in the Treasurer position.
   - Derrick Schueller (Romulus) was nominated for Vice Chair. No additional nominations were received for Vice Chair. **Motion was made to elect Derrick Schueller as the new Vice Chair. Motion carried.**
   - The floor was opened for nominations for Treasurer. David Mackie (Taylor) was nominated. No additional nominations were received. **Motion was made to elect David Mackie as the new Treasurer. Motion carried.**

6) **Watershed Management Plan Updates**
   - Vicki distributed the WMP update schedule. The goal is to have the plan approved for 319 grant funding for 2011. This schedule is sufficient to meet the 319 deadline. Information received at the WAG meetings has been incorporated and the modeling has been complete. Text edits are being finalized. Drafts are scheduled to be available for review in early February. **When the drafts are finalized, links to the plans will be provided on the ADW website. An email notification will be sent when the plans are available for review on the website.**

7) **Upcoming Grants**
   a. There are a number of grants that are currently available and anticipated to be released in the next month. Vicki presented a handout detailing these funding opportunities. This year, habitat projects will be funded through the Sustain Our Great Lakes and NOAA programs. It was recommended that the Technical Committee meet with the Detroit
River PAC Chair (Charlie Bristol) to discuss projects and obtain support before pursuing an application. A Technical Committee Meeting will be scheduled for the week of January 24th in coordination with Charlie Bristol’s availability. A motion was made by S. Rockwood and supported by Woodhaven-Brownstown Schools to authorize OHM to apply for grants dependent on the recommendation of the Technical Committee. Motion carried.

8) **Other Items and Announcements**
   a. SEMCOG Update
      • Amy Mangus was present from SEMCOG and provided an update on the grants received by SEMCOG. She also distributed information about storm water services available to SEMCOG members.
   b. ADW Bylaw Revisions
      • An Officers Meeting was held on November 19, 2010. At this meeting, the bylaws were reviewed and suggestions to future changes were discussed and noted. At this time, the Officers are not recommending revisions as the suggested changes are minor. At such time in the future that by-law revisions are necessary, these minor changes can be made then.
   c. Other Announcements
      • Congratulations were offered to Noel Mullett on the birth of his son, Brock Oliver Mullett. Noel reported that everyone is doing well.

9) **Summary of Action Items and Items for Next Meeting**
   • OHM will attend DNRE storm water permit stakeholder meetings and provide a report at the next ADW meeting.
   • Links to the WMP drafts will be emailed to the group in early February when they are ready for review.
   • A Technical Committee Meeting will be scheduled for the week of January 24th to meet with Charlie Bristol and determine if the ADW should pursue any grants at this time. If the Technical Committee’s recommends applying for a grant, OHM will prepare the application for submittal.

10) **Set Next Meeting Date**
    • The next meeting was tentatively set for Thursday April 14, 2011 at 1:30 pm.

11) **Adjourn**
    • ACTION: There was a motion by Romulus to adjourn the meeting. The motion was 2nd by S. Rockwood. Motion passed unanimously.
1. Welcome and Introductions
   a. Roll Call of Alliance Members and Alternates Present
   b. Addition or Changes to Draft Agenda
   c. Approval of January 18, 2011 meeting notes

2. S2 Grant and SRF Nonpoint Source Program Discussion
   a. Overall Program information
   b. Examples of Nonpoint Source SRF Project Plans
   c. Discussion of Potential Application by the ADW
   d. Local Perspective of Nonpoint Source SRF Program, Harry Sheehan, Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner’s Office
   e. Q and A for Karol Patton, MDEQ Nonpoint Source Project Manager, Revolving Loan Section

3. Other Funding Programs
   a. Current GLRI RFA
   b. Sustain our Great Lakes Update

4. Watershed Management Plan Updates
   a. Draft Plans
   b. Overall Schedule

5. Other Items and Announcements

6. Summary of Action Items and Items for Next Meeting

7. Set Next Meeting Date

8. Adjourn
Meeting Notes
March 3, 2011 1:30 pm

1) Welcome: Derrick Schueller from the City of Romulus opened the meeting. In attendance were:

- **Designated or Alternate Community Representative:**
  - Brian Arp, City of Gibraltar
  - Doug Morton, City of Allen Park
  - Dave Mackie, City of Taylor
  - Linda Spangler, Huron Township
  - Zachare Ball, City of Rockwood (alternate)
  - Dan Brooks, City of Dearborn Heights (alternate)
  - Brent Florek; Melvindale, Riverview, Grosse Ile Township, Gibraltar (alternate for each)
  - Karen Mondora, Huron Township (alternate)
  - Noel Mullett, Wayne County (alternate)
  - Derrick Schueller, City of Romulus (Alternate)
  - Bill Turner, City of Lincoln Park (Alternate)

- **Other Interested Parties:**
  - Leah Groya, Wade-Trim
  - Jessica Koerner, MDNRE
  - Ric Lawson, HRWC
  - Patrick McCauley
  - Kelly McRobb-Ackland, Wade-Trim for Allen Park and Taylor
  - Vicki Putala, OHM
  - Bill Hogan, City of Trenton
  - Karol Patton, MDEQ
  - Harry Sheehan, WCWRC
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1) Welcome and Introductions
   a. Roll Call of Alliance Members and Alternates Present – roll call was performed and a quorum was present.
   b. Addition or Changes to Draft Agenda – There were no proposed changes to the agenda
   c. Approval of January 18, 2011 meeting notes. ACTION: There was a motion by Taylor to accept the January 18, 2011 meeting notes. The motion was 2nd by Gibraltar. Passed unanimously.

2) S2 Grant and SRF Nonpoint Source Program Discussion
   a. Overall Program Information – Vicki provided a handout and presented an overview of the SRF and S2 programs. The SRF is a 20 year low interest loan program. Interest rates vary, but are usually around 2.5%. The S2 grant program can be used to offset project plan and other planning costs. The grant requires a 10% match and has a cap of $1 Million available per applicant. S2 grants can also be used for design if funding is still available. Costs incurred from 12/14/2010 are eligible for reimbursement.

   Vicki also introduced the meeting guests: Harry Sheehan, Environmental Manager for the Washtenaw County Water Resources Commissioner and Karol Patton of the MDEQ, Revolving Loan Unit.

   b. Examples of Nonpoint Source SRF Project Plans – SRF can be used for sanitary and nonpoint source projects. Most people are familiar with the sanitary program; however, there has been limited use of the SRF program for nonpoint source projects. NPS projects must be focused on water quality improvements, particularly TSS, P, and E. coli. Some examples of eligible nonpoint source projects include porous pavement, grow zones, tree plantings, infiltration projects, storm water detention (when paired with infiltration and/or water quality improvement), swirl concentrators, wetland creation and enhancement, naturalized streambank stabilization, cisterns and rain barrels.

   Karol Patton listed the NPS Project Plans received to date. They include several by WCWRRC, 2 from the City of Auburn Hills (for BMP retrofits to City properties and for streambank stabilization), and one from the Village of Pinckney for porous pavement and bioretention.

   c. Discussion of Potential Application by the ADW – Most, if not all of the land area within the ADW is covered by a Chapter 20 drainage district. There was discussion about taking the list of projects from the WMP and incorporating those into a Project Plan. Issues with loan repayment and who the applicant would be will need to be resolved.

   d. Harry Sheehan discussed the WRC’s experience with the NPS SRF program and projects they’ve been able to complete using the program. He also discussed the process by which projects are initiated and how they utilize Pollution Abatement Districts and Chapter 20 Drainage Districts as the project applicants and for loan repayment. Projects WRC has used approximately $12-15 Million in SRF funding for a number of projects including Mallets Creek, the City of Ann Arbor’s Tree Planting program, Stadium Blvd (oversize piping for storage and pretreatment), Allen’s Creek Underground Detention at Pioneer HS, West Park, establishment of the Miller’s Creek Drainage District, Sylvan Avenue, streambank stabilization, porous pavement, etc. ARRA funding has been
funneled through the SRF programs. As a result, many of these projects have received “Green Project Reserve” funding and principle forgiveness. Harry indicated that the WCWRC and City of Ann Arbor have been very happy with their experience using NPS SRF and plan to continue, possibly tying in more City capital projects.

e. Q & A for Karol Patton – Karol Patton answered questions on the anticipated S2 program and how the SRF has been utilized in the past.

**Action Items:**

- Noel will see if Wayne County has additional S2 grant capacity.
- Noel will see if there are any existing “Pollution Abatement Districts” in the ADW and will also determine the steps necessary to establish a new Pollution Abatement District.
- Vicki will check with Harry to see what steps the WCWRC went through to establish their Pollution Abatement District.

**ACTION:** There was a motion by Romulus, supported by Rockwood to allow the Technical Committee to proceed with recommending projects for inclusion in a potential SRF Project Plan based on the results of the action items. The Technical Committee’s report would be presented at the next full ADW meeting in April. Passed unanimously.

3) **Other Funding Programs**

a. Current GLRI RFA – The RFA for the EPA GLRI is available. There is $40 Million available for 4 focus areas. Watershed remediation projects must be identified in a 319 approved Watershed Management Plan. There are a couple of other sections in the RFA that could be considered, including Pollution Prevention and Toxics as well as Education and Outreach. There was discussion by Wayne County to leverage the blend the existing County IDEP with an initiative to target more industrial properties. Also discussed was the possibility of repeating the SEMCOG public knowledge survey and utilize the results to target future public education efforts. A collaborative effort with the ARC and SEMCOG was discussed.

Noel is looking into a proposal to expand the current IDEP to target industrial areas that may be contributing toxics to the ADW.

*The facilitation team will initiate discussion with the ARC to gauge interest in a joint application.*

**ACTION:** There was a motion by Romulus, supported by Wayne County to allow the Technical Committee to recommend whether or not to proceed with GLRI application(s) based on the results of the action items. The Technical Committee’s recommendation would then be considered for approval by the Officers. Passed unanimously.

b. Sustain Our Great Lakes Update – Ric Lawson gave an update on the SOGL pre-proposal what was submitted in February. The proposal included the channel restoration at Elizabeth Park as well as 17 grow zone type projects for the ADW. The GZ projects were estimated at $14K each. WC Parks provided over 50% hard match for the Elizabeth Park project. Match for the GZ projects would come from subgrantee match, dues and in kind services. The ADW will be notified in April if they are selected for further consideration, at which time a full proposal would be required.

4) **Watershed Management Plan Updates**
a. Draft Plans and Schedule – WMP drafts will be available via the website next week. The ADW will have a week to review before they are submitted to the DEQ in mid-March. The majority of the changes are contained within Chapter 6 – Action Plan.

5) **Other Items and Announcements**
   a. Contested Case Update provided by Patrick McCauley
      - The State’s Appeal to the Michigan Court of Appeals from Judge Manderfield’s November 19, 2010 Opinion is still pending, as is the State’s request that the Court of Appeals stay the trial court proceedings. There is no present indication that the Court of Appeals will agree to hear the case at this time.
      - The Administrative Law Judge issued his order on January 21, 2011 continuing to hold the administrative hearing in abeyance pending the outcome of the Appeal to the Court of Appeals and pending motions in the trial court.
      - The deposition of Bill Creal commenced on January 21, 2011 and will be continued on March 17, 2011.
      - On February 23, 2011, Circuit Court Judge Manderfield denied the State’s Motion for a More Definite Statement as to Plaintiffs’ Third Amended Complaint and imposed sanctions against the State in the amount of $2,500. The State also requested that Judge Manderfield stay proceedings to allow them to appeal which Judge Manderfield denied. The State has now taken an appeal from her rulings on February 23, 2011.
      - The Plaintiff Communities have recently filed responses to the State’s second discovery requests.
      - On March 16, 2011 the Plaintiff Communities’ Motion for Summary Disposition will be heard requesting that the Court issue a ruling that the 2008 permit violates the Headlee Amendment. The State also has a motion pending that day to dismiss the proceedings as moot, based on their withdrawing the 2008 permit; however, the Complaint has now been amended to allege Headlee violations not only of the 2008 permit, but also the 2003 permit and 2003 state stormwater administrative rules.
      - The Court will enter an amended scheduling order and will hold a status conference in the case on March 18, 2011.

6) **Summary of Action Items and Items for Next Meeting**
   - OHM will attend DNRE storm water permit stakeholder meetings and provide a report at the next ADW meeting. The meeting is scheduled for March 21st.
   - Links to the WMP drafts will be emailed to the group next week when they are ready for review.
   - A joint PE/Technical Committee Meeting is scheduled for March 23rd.

7) **Set Next Meeting Date**
   - *The next meeting is set for Thursday April 14, 2011 at 1:30 pm.*

8) **Adjourn**
   - **ACTION:** There was a motion by Wayne County to adjourn the meeting. The motion was 2nd by Rockwood. Motion passed unanimously.
AGENDA
ALLIANCE OF DOWNRIVER WATERSHEDS
Thursday, April 14, 2011
1:30 pm
Wade-Trim
25251 Northline Road
Taylor, Michigan

1. Welcome and Introductions
   a. Roll Call of Alliance Members and Alternates Present
   b. Addition or Changes to Draft Agenda
   c. Approval of March 4, 2011 meeting notes
      Action

2. Finance Committee Report
   a. Current budget status
      Information

3. Status Reports per ADW Budget Framework
   a. IDEP Activities
      Information
   b. Progress Evaluation Activities
      Information
   c. Monitoring Activities
      • Monitoring Results Summary (2010)
      • Monitoring Plan Summary (2011)
   d. Planning and Reporting
      • Update on GLRI and SOGL Grant Applications
      • SRF Funding
      Information

4. Standing Committee Reports
   a. Public Education
      • Pollution Prevention Distribution Summary (2010)
      • Plan for 2011 Activities
      Information
      Action

5. Watershed Management Plan Updates
   a. Submittal of Draft Plans
      Information

6. Update on Contested Permit
   a. Progress report
      Information
   b. MDEQ Stakeholders Meeting Summary
      Information

7. Other Items and Announcements
   Information

8. Summary of Action Items and Items for Next Meeting
   Information

9. Set Next Meeting Date

10. Adjourn
Alliance of Downriver Watersheds
Meeting Notes
April 14, 2011 1:30 pm

1) Welcome: Derrick Schueller from Romulus opened the meeting. In attendance were:

Designated or Alternate Community Representative:
- Brian Arp, City of Gibraltar
- Mark Gaworecki, Belleville, Woodhaven (alternate), Southgate (alternate)
- Doug Morton, Allen Park
- Tim Walsh, Village of South Rockwood
- Zachare Ball, City of Rockwood (alternate)
- Robert Daniels, City of Wyandotte (alternate)
- Brent Florek; Melvindale, Riverview, Grosse Ile Township, Gibraltar (alternate for each)
- Rod Julian, Brownstown Township (alternate)
- Karen Mondora, Huron Township (alternate)
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- Leah Groya, Wade-Trim
- Jessica Koerner, MDNRE
- Ric Lawson, HRWC
- Patrick McCauley
- Kelly McRobb-Ackland, Wade-Trim
- Vicki Putala, OHM
- Kelly Fedele, City of Trenton
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1) Welcome and Introductions
   a. Roll Call of Alliance Members and Alternates Present – roll call was performed and a quorum was present.
   b. Addition or Changes to Draft Agenda – There were no proposed changes to the agenda.
   c. Approval of March 3, 2011 meeting notes. ACTION: There was a motion by Rockwood to accept the March 3, 2011 meeting notes. The motion was 2nd by S. Rockwood. Passed unanimously.

2) Finance Committee Report
   a. Razik presented the current 2010 Budget Financial Status Report. Wayne County is waiting on the last quarter grant reimbursement from the State so that they finalize the Green Roof Grant effort and close out the fiscal year. There was a slight overage on IDEP and that activity along with the associated expense will be moved to 2011. All invoices from the consultant team have been received and paid.
   b. Razik reminded members that 2011 dues invoices were sent previously and payment is due for those that haven’t already paid. 2009 and 2010 dues for Flat Rock are still outstanding.

3) Status Reports for ADW Budget Framework
   a. IDEP Activities
      • Wayne County staff continued providing technical/field support for the ADW CMI grant project Illicit Connection Elimination to the Alliance of Downriver Watersheds. January through March 2011, WQMD staff performed 110 facility site evaluations and 66 facility dye-test inspections within the Ecorse Creek and Combined Downriver watersheds. No illicit discharge or connections were identified.
      • Corrections of 6 illicit discharges at our facilities were confirmed in February 2011.
      • The pump station serving Telegraph at the viaduct in the City of Flat Rock was sampled. Surfactant, ammonia and E. coli results did not indicate the presences of illicit discharges. Conductivity was a little high which isn’t unusual for winter samples from a roadway drainage system.
      • Storm sewer maps were obtained from Grosse Ile Township and a follow up investigation plan of the storm sewer system has been developed. Previously scheduled field work had to be rescheduled due to weather. A report of findings will be provided at the next ADW meeting.
      • 5 homes on failed OSDS systems in the Ecorse Creek Watershed were previously identified. One home was demolished, the other 4 illicit discharges remain and they have been issued notices that corrections must be made prior to July 2011.
      • An estimated 212,000 gallons of polluted water was removed from the Ecorse Creek watershed through IDEP activities in 2010.
   b. Progress Evaluation Activities
      • A progress evaluation presentation was given by Ric Lawson
   c. Monitoring Activities
      • Ric provided a summary of flow monitoring plus detail of the last 3 years for each site. The Technical Committee decided to keep the maintain the existing flow monitoring locations for 2011, with the exception of moving the Woods Creek station to the Smith Drain in the Lower Huron Subwatershed. Wayne County flow meters were installed on April 1st. The Lower Huron meter will be installed later today.
A Macroinvertebrate Sampling report was also presented. The trend analysis (since 2004) indicates significant increases and improvements in macroinvertebrates. In a nutshell, all watersheds are seeing improvements in diversity and sensitivity of bugs, especially in the spring. Macroinvertebrate monitoring will continue. This report will be included in the ADW annual report.

d. Planning and Reporting

1. Update on GLRI and SOGL Grant Applications
   - Two GLRI applications were submitted.
     a. The first project, “Greening Schools in Detroit/Rouge AOCs to Restore Lake Erie”, was submitted under the “Implement Lakewide Management Plan (LaMP) Projects. In this proposal, the ADW is partnering with the ARC for a $300,000 project to install grow zones in schools through the Green Schools Program managed by Wayne County (it includes schools in the ADW and ARC) with workshops, public educations, etc.
     b. The second project, “Toxics Reduction Within the Rouge & Detroit River AOCs”, was submitted under the Toxic Substances and Areas of Concern focus area. This proposal involves a series of household hazardous waste/e-waste collections as well as IDEP activities targeted at identifying and eliminating toxics. This project would be located primarily in Wayne County within the ADW and ARC community boundaries.
   - The Sustain Our Great Lakes (SOGL) preproposal was selected for further consideration. Ric is leading the efforts to prepare the full proposal. The SOGL proposal includes shoreline stabilization and habitat restoration work at Elizabeth Park as well as approximately 17 smaller sites in and near the Detroit River subwatershed. These smaller projects include riparian projects targeted at improving stream habitat. Green infrastructure project types considered are bank stabilization, grow zones, and floodplain expansion. A preliminary list of project locations was distributed. Ric needs community partners to indicate their commitment to these projects no later than Monday, April 18th. Wayne County will be listed as the applicant with the ADW shown as a project partner. **Motion was made to have the ADW provide a letter of support for this SOGL proposal. Moved by S. Rockwood, supported by Lincoln Park. Motion carried.**

2. SRF Funding
   - Vicki gave a recap of the previous special ADW funding meeting. As follow-up from this meeting, Vicki has confirmed that the ADW meets the criteria to submit a project plan; however, they do not meet the borrowing criteria for loan purposes. Wayne County would have to be the applicant or an appropriate/applicable borrowing statue would need to be identified in the project plan.
   - The S2 has been delayed because of appropriations. An amendment was introduced in March and needs to pass the House and Senate. Once the amendment is passed, the treasury needs to sell bonds. The SRF deadline is July 1st and therefore, it looks like the opportunity to submit a project plan this year has passed. Vicki recommends that the ADW keep track of the S2 program’s progress and decide at a later date if it is worth pursuing for the group.
4) **Standing Committee Reports**
   a. **Public Education**
      - The Public Education Committee met last month. *A 2010 PE Material Distribution Summary will be emailed later today.*
      - Leah presented a handout detailing the Recommendation for 2011 Public Education Activities. The PE Committee also requests consideration for adequate PE budget in 2012 to develop and distribute watershed/pollution prevention/environmental calendar specific to the ADW. This calendar would be similar to the HRWC calendar.
      - Motion was made to accept the 2011 Public Education activities. Moved by Gibraltar, supported by Riverview. Motion carried.

5) **Watershed Management Plan Updates**
   - The WMPs were officially submitted to the state for review. The updates include the most Landscape Level Wetland Quality Assessment data provided by the DEQ and presented at the last ADW technical committee meeting. The goal is to have the plans approved for 319 grant funding in 2011. Plans are available for review on the ADW website.

6) **Update on Contested Permit**
   a. Patrick McCauley summarized the status of the stormwater permit litigation.
      - The Circuit Court heard oral arguments on March 16, 2011 that the 2008 NPDES MS4 Permit violates the Headlee Amendment due to lack of State funding. The State argued that our claims related to 2008 Permits were moot since they had withdrawn the Permits.
      - The Amended Complaint filed by the communities also challenged the 2003 Permit and 2003 State Stormwater Administrative Rules on the basis of lack of Headlee funding. The Complaints also alleged that any new Permit issued by the DEQ would have to be tied to State funding.
      - On March 18, 2011, the Court issued a new Scheduling Order for the case and indicated that she would be issuing a written opinion as to the challenges to the 2008 Permits.
      - The State has filed 2 appeals to the Michigan Court of Appeals. The first appeal filed in December 2010 challenged Judge Manderfield’s November 19, 2010 Opinion & Order in which she found that the communities did not have to first exhaust administrative remedies to raise their constitutional claims (e.g., Headlee) and that the ownership and operation of an MS4 was a mandatory State activity, not an optional activity. This ruling made the Headlee Amendment claim applicable to our fact situation. The State also requested a stay of the proceedings which Judge Manderfield denied. The second appeal was from Judge Manderfield’s February 23, 2011 Order in which she indicated that the communities did not have to file a more particular statement relative to their claims involving the 2003 Permits and the 2003 State Stormwater Administrative Rules. Judge Manderfield has also sanctioned the State $2500 for bringing a frivolous motion. The State again requested a stay of the proceedings, which Judge Manderfield denied.
      - On March 22, 2011, the Court of Appeals issued its Order granting the State’s Application for Leave to Appeal, consolidating the two appeals and staying further trial court proceedings.
      - The issues on appeal will be whether or not the ownership and operation of an MS4 is a voluntary or State mandated activity and whether or not the municipalities have to file a more definite statement of their claims as to the 2003 Permits and
Stormwater Administrative Rules.

- The communities are considering appealing the Court of Appeals Order to the Michigan Supreme Court requesting relief from the Order and to allow the trial court proceedings to go forward in order to make a full record before the case eventually finds its way back into the State Appellate Court system which it no doubt will.

b. MDEQ Stakeholders Meeting Summary

- As a result of the 2008 permit withdrawal, MDEQ is hosting a series of stakeholder meetings to obtain comment and input on the next MS4 permit. Karen presented the meeting notes from the first stakeholder meeting held in Lansing on March 21st. MDEQ is specifically interested in using these meetings to obtain input on the form and substance of the permit. They are also looking for input on recently published EPA memoranda and wet weather studies. DEQ expects to hold monthly stakeholder meetings and issue a new permit in early 2012. Stakeholders indicated the most important issues related to the permits were funding, flexibility and preserving the watershed approach.
- An agenda for the next stakeholder meeting scheduled for May 5th was also provided. **Motion was made to authorize OHM to attend the next 3 stakeholder meetings and provide a report to at the next ADW meeting. Moved by S. Rockwood, supported by Lincoln Park. Motion carried.**

7) **Other Items and Announcements**

- DEQ announced that the new AOC contact for the Detroit River AOC is Christy Clark. She is based out of the Warren office. She will be attending ADW meetings as her schedule permits. Feel free to contact her anytime.
- The DEQ has prepared a guidance document for vehicle maintenance/washing activities at municipally owned vehicle maintenance facilities. Wash water concerns have been a common issue with SWPPPs.

8) **Summary of Action Items and Items for Next Meeting**

- **Communities with projects listed on the Sustain Our Great Lakes proposal need to contact Ric and confirm their commitment to following through with the project and committing to match requirements. Please contact Ric by Monday April 18th.**
- Karen will email the 2010 PE Material Distribution Summary.

9) **Set Next Meeting Date**

- **The next meeting was tentatively set for Thursday July 14, 2011 at 1:30 pm.**

10) **Adjourn**

- **ACTION:** There was a motion by Rockwood to adjourn the meeting. The motion was 2nd by Gibraltar. Motion passed unanimously.
DRAFT AGENDA
ALLIANCE OF DOWNRIVER WATERSHEDS
Thursday, July 14, 2011
1:30 pm
Wade-Trim
25251 Northline Road
Taylor, Michigan

1. Welcome and Introductions
   a. Roll Call of Alliance Members and Alternates Present
   b. Addition or Changes to Draft Agenda
   c. Approval of April 14, 2011 meeting notes

2. Finance Committee Report
   a. Final Financial Status Report for 2010
   b. Current Financial Status Report for 2011 Budget
   c. Amendment #1 for the 2011 Budget

3. Election of New Vice Chair

4. Status Reports per ADW Budget Framework
   a. IDEP Activities
   b. Planning and Reporting
      • Funding and Grant Applications Update
   c. Progress Evaluation Activities
      • Summary of Spring Monitoring Activities
   d. Public Education Committee Update
      • Green Infrastructure & LID Conference
      • Maintenance and Training for Grow Zones

5. Watershed Management Plan Updates
   a. Approval Status

6. Update on Contested Permit
   a. Progress Report
   b. MDEQ Stakeholders Meetings Summary

7. Other Items and Announcements

8. Summary of Action Items and Items for Next Meeting

9. Set Next Meeting Date

10. Adjourn
1) Welcome: Mark Gahry from Van Buren Township opened the meeting. In attendance were:

**Designated or Alternate Community Representative:**
- Brian Arp, City of Gibraltar
- Mark Gahry, Brownstown Township
- Neil Green, Woodhaven-Brownstown School District
- Mark Kowalewski, City of Wyandotte
- Tom MacDonald, Van Buren Township
- Tim Walsh, Village of South Rockwood
- Dan Brooks, City of Taylor
- Brent Florek; Melvindale, Riverview, Grosse Ile Township, Gibraltar
- Karen Mondora, Huron Township
- Noel Mullett, Wayne County
- William Turner, City of Lincoln Park (alternate)

**Other Interested Parties:**
- Razik Alsaigh, Wayne County
- Robert Burns, Friends of the Detroit River
- Leah Groya, Wade-Trim
- Bill Hogan, City of Trenton
- Ric Lawson, HRWC
- Patrick McCauley
- Kelly McRobb-Ackland, Wade-Trim
- Vicki Putala, OHM
- Elizabeth Riggs, HRWC
OFFICIAL ACTIONS of the ADW taken at the meeting are shown in bold capitalized letters. Action Items for the future are shown in bold italics.

1) Welcome and Introductions
   a. Roll Call of Alliance Members and Alternates Present – roll call was performed and a quorum was present.
   b. Addition or Changes to Draft Agenda – There were no proposed changes to the agenda
   c. Approval of May 14, 2011 meeting notes. ACTION: There was a motion by Wayne County to correct Item #2a in the May 14, 2001 meeting notes to change “Grow Zone” to “Green Roof” and accept these amended meeting notes. The motion was 2nd by S. Rockwood. Passed unanimously.

2) Finance Committee Report
   a. Razik presented the final financial status report for 2010. $57,301.62 in ADW dues is available for future budget bills. 2011 ADW dues and future state grand and county match were not included.
   b. Razik also presented the current financial status report for the 2011 budget. This budget is less than last year. There is $172,925.99 in ADW dues available for future budgeted bills. Approximately $222K out of the $310K in 2011 dues has been paid to the ADW. Flat Rock and Inkster have not paid any portion of the 2011 dues to date. A payment from Flat Rock was made; however, it was applied to their outstanding 2009 dues. Razik will talk to Flat Rock and make sure they know that they have paid ’09 dues, but still owe for ’10 and ’11. Razik will also call Inkster to inquire on their membership status.
   c. Razik presented Budget Amendment #1 for 2011. Amendment #1 acknowledges and makes the following changes:
      - Not all grant funds for 2010 budget were spent. Increase total budget from $213,174 to $216,250
      - Land cover analysis for WMP was less than anticipated. Outreach budget for 2011 increased from $80,340 to $131,518.
      - Unspent 2010 green roof monitoring budget is transferred to 2011 budget. Increase budget from $22,400 to $24,000.
      - Adjusted OHM budget per task to match signed contract. The cumulative amount for these tasks total stayed constant at $63,000.
      - Adjust WMP update and grant management budget from $27,492 to $32,368 to match remaining grant budget amounts at the end of 2010.
      - Increased LID budget from $21,500 to $26,391. Additional grant funds are available at the end of 2010.
   ACTION: Motion was made by Woodhaven-Brownstown Schools to accept Budget Amendment #1 and supported by Van Buren. Motion passes.

3) Election of New Vice Chair
   Derrick Schueller has left the City of Romulus to accept a position outside the ADW. His departure leaves a vacancy in the Vice Chair position. There was discussion regarding the duties of the Vice Chair and requests for nominations. No nominations were received at the meeting. Mark Gahry asked all members to consider nomination to this position.

4) Status Reports for ADW Budget Framework
   a. IDEP Activities – Noel presented an ADW IDEP activity summary for April – June
Grant Supported ADW IDEP Facility Inspections - 37 facilities were inspected in the ADW (10 – Taylor; 27 – Lincoln Park). These inspections identified one illicit discharge and one environmental concern in the City of Lincoln Park. Elimination of the illicit discharge is estimated to prevent 2,555 gallons/year of polluted water. The environmental concern, poor grease handling and storage, was brought to the attention of the property owner.

Grant Supported ADW IDEP Investigative Monitoring – Followup was completed in Grosse Ile Township after outfall sampling identified elevated \textit{E. coli} levels. Storm sewer upstream of the outfall was sampled up to Meridian Road. 9 samples were collected during this investigation and elevated \textit{E. coli} levels were found at one storm sewer manhole from an inlet discharging into the Bellevue Road storm sewer. Grosse Ile Twp representatives were contacted and additional investigation to further identify the source will be completed.

Grant Supported ADW Complaint investigations – 9 complaints were investigated with 0 confirmed discharges. 5 of the 9 complaints were investigated with ADW IDEP grant support.

Wayne County Drain Inspections were performed. 6 drains were surveyed with 96 outfalls identified at a total length of about 8 miles of drain. Work was funded independent of ADW IDEP Grant.

b. Planning and Reporting –

Wayne County received notice that the GLRI application for “Toxics Reduction Within the Rouge and Detroit River AOCs” was funded. The funding request was for $500,000 with tasks for household hazardous waste/e-waste collection as well as targeted toxics reduction investigations at private commercial and industrial facilities with high potential of handling/mishandling toxic materials.

The GLRI application for “Greening Schools in Detroit/Rouge AOCs to Restore Lake Erie” and the Sustain Our Great Lakes application for “Restoring Habitat in Elizabeth Park and Downriver Watersheds” were not funded.

The 319 funding applications are expected to be available at the end of July. The ADW does not fall into any of the Tier 1 priority areas, so chances of funding ADW projects in this program is slim. We will revisit if/when the Tier 1 areas change.

S2 applications are due out in September. The ADW cannot be an applicant as they do not meet the municipal definition for borrowing criteria. Therefore, Wayne County would need to consider being the applicant on behalf of the ADW. \textbf{ACTION: Motion was made by Woodhaven-Brownstown Schools to authorize OHM to prepare and S2 application at a budget not to exceed $50,000, supported by Wayne County. Motion passes.}

c. Progress Evaluation Activities – Ric and Noel provided a summary of ADW monitoring from April through June.

16 sites were sampled during this time period. 5 sites scored “good”, 10
scored “fair”, and 2 scored “poor”. No sites scored “excellent”. The data and trend analysis is ongoing. WQMD partnered with 6 schools to sample streams. Over 145 students participated. Sampling at 9 additional sites was completed without school partners.

- 7 sites were slated for geomorphology survey, 3 of the sites will be new and 4 will be a reassessment of sites surveyed last year. The reassessment is to determine if there are any measureable changes at the sites.
- Flow monitoring is being performed at 4 locations in the ADW. New streamflow measurements were collected at the Frank and Poet site this spring between rain events.
- There were challenges in collecting monitoring data. This spring was one of the wettest on record with high water levels and velocities hampering efforts.

d. Public Education Committee Update

- 30 schools were certified as green schools for the 2010-2011 school year in the ADW.
- 50 seedlings were purchased and distributed at the June 23rd Downriver Operations Managers Expo. Planning is underway to distribute 750 tree seedlings at the August 27th WC HHW collection event. There are also plans to distribute 1200 seedlings to the ADW Green Schools along with up to 75 trees.
- The ADW and WC-WQMD participated in the 3rd Annual Downriver Operations Managers Expo. Approximately 600 people attended and heard a WQMD presentation “Protecting Our Water Resources”. A variety of handout material was also distributed.
- 47 signs were delivered by WC of which 14 have been confirmed installed by the local community or sign recipient (Friends of Detroit River).
- 7 schools and approximately 175 students participated in the spring benthic monitoring program.
- Wayne County is willing to put together another sign order. The Public Education Committee will send out the order form to gauge interest in another round of orders.
- There will be Green Infrastructure training workshops/workdays scheduled this fall. A planning meeting was scheduled for August 11th. Ric will email the grant recipients to notify them of the planning meeting for grow zone work days and maintenance training.
- Planning for the “What color is your Infrastructure” workshop is underway. A Save the Date email will be sent out later this week. The event is scheduled for September 23, 2011 at LTU and runs from 8:30 – 3:30 with an optional tour of LTU’s BMPs from 3:30 – 4:00. Event registration will be via the ADW website and a fee of $25 to cover materials/costs will be charged. We are anticipating about 150-200 guests. Speakers are in the process of being confirmed. Our keynote speaker will be Dave Misky from the city of Milwaukee. Please distribute the announcement to your constituents and plan to attend the conference.

5) Watershed Management Plan Updates

- DEQ is still reviewing the draft WMPs. Current status is that the Ecorse Creek WMP review is substantially complete and district staff is meeting with
Bob Sweet to review comments. The Combined Downriver and Lower Huron WMP reviews will follow.

6) Update on Contested Permit
   a. Patrick McCauley summarized the status of the stormwater permit litigation.
      • Case is now pending in the Court of Appeals. Issues – Failure to exhaust administrative remedies as to 2008 permit & Headlee doesn’t apply, as the ownership/operation of an MS4 is not a state mandated activity
      • Riverview sought a stay of the appeal to allow the trial court to issue her final opinion on the Headlee issue; Court of Appeals denied that request
      • Riverview has appealed that adverse ruling to the Michigan Supreme Court & we are awaiting a ruling
      • Our briefs in response to the State’s appeal are due July 19th assuming the Supreme Court allows the appeal in the Court of Appeals to go forward
      • Administrative contested case remains on hold

   b. MDEQ Stakeholders Meeting Summary
      • Karen provided a summary of the 2 DEQ stakeholder meetings held since the last ADW meeting. Discussion topics included permitting strategy, PEP, PPP, and IDEP. The key issues for most permittees is allowing for collaborative approaches and flexibility in compliance. DEQ is looking at moving away from General Permits for MS4 coverage and issuing individual permits instead. This may allow for more flexibility in permit language for specific entities. There was also a lot of discussion on the challenges of reporting and measure success. There are 4 additional meetings scheduled to complete the stakeholder process. ACTION: Motion was made by South Rockwood to authorize OHM to attend the rest of the DEQ stakeholder meetings and provide reports at the next ADW meeting. Motion passes.

7) Other Items and Announcements
   • Ric asked how audits were going for communities. Audits have been completed in Gross Ile Twp, Taylor, Riverview and South Rockwood. Generally, audits have taken 2-3 days to complete with a written evaluation provided after the audit has been completed. Communities have been given 60 days to respond to the evaluation and provide any additional information.

8) Summary of Action Items and Items for Next Meeting
   • Razik will talk to Flat Rock and make sure they know that they have paid ’09 dues, but still owe for ’10 and ’11. Razik will also call Inkster to inquire on their membership status.
   • Ric will email the Grow Zone grant recipients to notify them of the planning meeting for training workshops and workdays. The meeting has been scheduled for August 11th at 1:30 at Wayne County.
   • The PE Committee will send out an email gauging interest in another sign order.
   • OHM will attend DEQ storm water permit stakeholder meetings and provide a report at the next ADW meeting.

9) Set Next Meeting Date
   • The next meeting was tentatively set for Thursday October 13, 2011 at 1:30 pm at Wade-
10) **Adjourn**

- **ACTION:** There was a motion by Rockwood to adjourn the meeting. The motion was 2nd by Gibraltar. Motion passed unanimously.
1. Welcome and Introductions  
   a. Roll Call of Alliance Members and Alternates Present  
   b. Addition or Changes to Draft Agenda  
   c. Approval of July 14, 2011 meeting notes  

2. Update on Contested Permit  
   a. Progress Report  
   b. MDEQ Stakeholders Meetings Summary  

3. Election of New Vice Chair and Secretary  

4. Finance Committee Report  
   a. Current Financial Status Report  
   b. Draft 2012 ADW Budget  
   c. 2012 Assessment Invoicing  
   d. Upcoming Contracts  

5. Status Reports per ADW Budget Framework  
   a. IDEP Activities  
   b. Planning and Reporting  
      - Funding and Grant Applications Update  
      (GLRI Toxics Reduction, S2, NOAA BWET)  
   c. Progress Evaluation Activities  
      - Summary of Monitoring Activities  
   d. Public Education Committee Update  
      - 319 Green Infrastructure & LID Conference Report  
      - Maintenance and Training for Grow Zones Report  

6. Watershed Management Plan Updates  

7. Other Items and Announcements  
   a. ADW Annual Report Summary Preparation for 2011  

8. Summary of Action Items and Items for Next Meeting  

9. Set Next Meeting Date  

10. Adjourn
1) Welcome: Mark Gahry from Brownstown Township opened the meeting. In attendance were:

**Designated or Alternate Community Representative:**
- Brian Arp, City of Gibraltar
- Mark Gahry, Brownstown Township
- Mark Gaworecki, Hennessey Engineers for Southgate, Ecorse, Belleville, and Woodhaven
- David Mackie, City of Taylor
- Tim Walsh, Village of South Rockwood
- Robert Daniels, City of Wyandotte
- Brent Florek; Melvindale, Riverview, Grosse Ile Township, Gibraltar
- Karen Mondora, Huron Township
- Noel Mullett, Wayne County
- William Turner, City of Lincoln Park

**Other Interested Parties:**
- Angela Ayers, SEMCOG
- Razik Alsaigh, Wayne County
- Jim Taylor, Van Buren Township
- Leah Groya, Wade-Trim
- Jessica Koerner, MDEQ
- Ric Lawson, HRWC
- Patrick McCauley
- Kelly McRobb-Ackland, Wade-Trim
- Brian Woodworth, Wade-Trim
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*Action Items* for the future are shown in bold italics.

1) **Welcome and Introductions**  
   a. Roll Call of Alliance Members and Alternates Present – roll call was performed and a quorum was present.  
   b. Addition or Changes to Draft Agenda – There were no proposed changes to the agenda  
   c. Approval of July 14, 2011 meeting notes. **ACTION:** There was a motion by South Rockwood to accept the July 14, 2011 meeting notes. Seconded by Lincoln Park. Passed unanimously.

2) **Update on Contested Permit**  
   a. Patrick McCauley summarized the status of the stormwater permit litigation.  
      - The Michigan Supreme Court denied Riverview’s request to stay the proceedings in the Court of Appeals to allow the Trial Court Judge to issue her opinion related to the Headlee Amendment.  
      - All briefs have been filed in the Court of Appeals and we are awaiting a date for oral argument.  
      - The Administrative Contested Case proceedings remain on hold.  
      - An ultimate appeal to the Michigan Supreme Court following the ruling by the Court of Appeals is quite likely.  
      - In addition to the Headlee argument now pending in the Court of Appeals, there are other claims relating to permits including that they are arbitrary capricious and/or based upon state rules which exceed the MDEQ’s statutory rule-making authority among other theories.
   b. Karen gave an update of the MDEQ Stakeholders Meetings. DEQ has continued to hold monthly stakeholder meetings. The last scheduled meeting is to be held on October 18th. All indications are that DEQ is discontinuing “General Permits” for MS4 coverage and will be utilizing “Individual” permits issued on a 5-year rotating watershed cycle. DEQ is also working on an online annual reporting tool. Online reporting is a new EPA requirement. If the State does not provide online reporting, permittees will need to report directly to EPA. DEQ is expecting to have something in place in 2014. Minutes of all stakeholder meetings have been provided in the handout packet.

3) **Election of New Vice Chair and Secretary**  
   **ACTION:** There was a motion by Grosse Ile Twp to nominate Brian Arp (City of Gibraltar) as the Vice Chair. Seconded by South Rockwood. Motion carried.

   There was discussion regarding the duties of Secretary. Secretary is expected to attend Executive Committee meetings held 1-2 times a year in addition to the regular ADW meetings. **ACTION:** There was a motion by Brownstown Township to nominate Bill Turner (Lincoln Park) as the Secretary. Seconded by South Rockwood. Motion carried.

   There was also discussion regarding the terms of the Officers Terms. For clarification and simplicity, it was suggested that the current officers serve until December 31, 2013. **ACTION:** Motion by South Rockwood to have the Officers shall serve out the remainder of this calendar year in addition to a full 2-year term of office for the time period of January 1, 2012 – December 31, 2013. Seconded by Wayne County. Motion carried.
4) **Finance Committee Report**

a. Razik presented the current financial status report for the 2011 budget as of 10/11/2011. The total remaining budget for the year is $369,798. There is $190,302 in ADW Dues available for future budgeted bills. Approximately $281K out of the $310K in 2011 dues has been paid to the ADW. Flat Rock and Inkster have not paid any portion of the 2011 dues to date. A payment from Flat Rock was made; however, it was applied to their outstanding 2009 dues. Romulus still owes for the second half of 2011 dues. Rockwood overpaid and this surplus will be carried over into 2012 and their next dues payment will be reduced accordingly. Razik will follow-up with Flat Rock and Romulus regarding outstanding dues. Razik also noted that Inkster has indicated a desire to withdraw their membership from the ADW. Patrick recommended that the ADW request a written communication from the City of Inkster to make this action official.

b. The Draft 2012 ADW Budget was presented by Razik. The Finance Committee met last month (meeting notes provided in handout) to recommend the activities and associated budgets needed for 2012. The 2012 budget totals $482,800 with $191,120 from ADW dues, $190,620 from grants and $101,060 from other sources. The 2012 budget is about $160K less than 2011.

c. The 2012 Assessment Invoicing was also discussed. The ADW by-laws state that dues will be collected annually. To date, the ADW has only needed to collect dues on odd number years as we have been quite successful in supplementing expenses with grants. A portion of dues will need to be collected in 2012 in order to do all of the activities identified in the 2012 budget. An estimated of approximately $70-75K will be needed in new dues for 2012. This represents approximately 25% of the annual dues assessment identified in the by-laws. **ACTION: Motion by South Rockwood to collect 25% of the 2011 assessment with invoicing to be done in January. Invoices will have the option for paying half the amount in January and half in July 2012. Seconded by Grosse Ile Township. Motion carried.**

d. Service provider contracts are done annually and expire at the end of the year. Since there is no regularly scheduled ADW meeting prior to the end of the year, OHM has asked the ADW to consider allowing the Chair to execute contracts within the approved budgeted dollar amounts and tasks. This has been done in the past. These contracted services will be in line with the approved 2012 Financing Plan. **ACTION: Motion by South Rockwood to authorize the Chair to execute updated contracts with Contractors, provided there is no additional 2010 ADW meeting, subject to legal review and approval. Seconded by Grosse Ile Township. Motion carried.**

5) **Status Reports for ADW Budget Framework**

a. IDEP Activities – Noel presented an ADW IDEP activity summary for July – September 2011. A written report has been included in the agenda packet.

   - Due to deadlines on other projects, effort on this grant was curtailed significantly for this reporting period.
   - Two complaint investigations were performed this quarter. One in Woodhaven and one in Taylor. The Woodhaven complaint was determined to be due to naturally occurring iron. The Taylor complaint involved 6 private OSDS at a residential complex. Only one of the units was occupied at the time of investigation and no visible signs of sewage discharge was observed. The EHD placarded the 5 vacant structures ordering that the OSDS
must we evaluated before occupancy. The property owner and City of Taylor were informed of this requirement.

- Grant Supported ADW IDEP Facility Inspections - 193 facilities were inspected to date in the ADW. These inspections identified 11 illicit discharges, 31 illicit connections, and five facilities with environmental concerns.
- Wayne County will be working in Southgate during the last quarter of 2011 and plans to get back into Lincoln Park as well.

b. Planning and Reporting –

- Wayne County received is working on moving forward with implementation of the GLRI “Toxics Reduction Within the Rouge and Detroit River AOCs” grant. The QAPP is due on November 1.
- The S2 grant application has been pulled due to lack of commitment and interest by communities.
- The ADW has remaining grant application money left in the 2011 budget, so the Executive Committee authorized OHM to prepare an application for the NOAA BWET program. The application was submitted last week. $150,000 in funding for environmental education in the ADW was requested. There was no match required or offered. Programs included in the grant application include Bug Hunts, Bugs in a Bucket, and Don’t Bug Me Presentations, as well as additional grow zones, tree plantings and schoolyard habitats. If funded, this will allow the ADW to expand already successful PE initiatives.

c. Progress Evaluation Activities – Ric and Noel provided a summary of ADW monitoring from July through September.

- Ric is in the process of preparing the 2010 monitoring report and finishing 2011 data collection and monitoring. The 2010 report will be available for annual report submittal by November 1. Monitoring activities have been proceeding on schedule. Flow monitoring has been challenging this year with lots of knockdowns during storms. Fortunately, this has not seemed to result in much data loss. Spring and fall macroinvertebrate monitoring is complete.
- Wayne County is in the process of finishing their macroinvertebrate monitoring and is on schedule with previous sites. WC has 7 geomorphology sites, 4 of which are new and 3 are revisits. 2 of these sites are complete and the remainder will be finished in the next 2 weeks. WC is also working with 10 schools to do benthic monitoring. This equates to 16 total sites for monitoring. WC will be presenting preliminary 2011 monitoring results at the next ADW meeting. Their 2010 report will be provided by the end of the month and will be incorporated into the ADW summary for inclusion in annual reports.
- Following the 5-year monitoring strategy, Ric has communicated with the Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority (YCUA) lab about their interest and ability to conduct analysis of water quality samples collected through a new ADW effort. YCUA expressed strong interest and recommended a jointly appointed intern to assist. Budget was allocated in the 2012 budget for this activity. Ric will work out details with YCUA and Wayne County staff to present at the next Technical Committee or full ADW meeting.

d. Public Education Committee Update

- The “What Color is Your Infrastructure” was held at LTU on September 23rd
at LTU. There were over 125 attendees. A good cross-section of attendees was present and the conference seemed to be very well received. Conference presentations and speaker biographies are available on the ADW website for anyone interested. HRWC prepared a questionnaire on conference feedback. The results are included as a handout in the agenda packet. 78% of respondents found the conference to be “extremely useful”.

- The ADW had expressed an interest in developing its own calendar. Ric provided cost information on the HRWC’s calendar. The 2013 calendar at the distribution level of 38K calendars cost approximately $30K to produce and print. This figure does not include any distribution costs. Over half of the price is in printing. About $5,000 was spent on professional photography.
- The Public Education Committee reported on their tree distribution initiative. 75 trees were provided to ADW green schools and tree seedlings in packets of 30 along with PI materials were also given to Green Schools. 750 tree seedlings and PI materials were also distributed at WC HHW events. Approximately 140 seedlings were distributed at the Green Infrastructure event at LTU.
- LTU has been monitoring at their green roof. They’ve captured 2 events and are monitoring both volume and water quality.

6) Watershed Management Plan Updates

- DEQ has provided comments on the Ecorse Creek and Combined Downriver WMPs. We are still waiting on review comments for the Lower Huron. The team is waiting for all comments to be received in order to provide an efficient response and resubmittal to MDEQ.

7) Other Items and Announcements

- Reminder that most communities have their annual reports due on November 1. The ADW Annual Report Summary for 2011 for use in annual reports is currently being prepared. This report will be posted to the ADW website once it is finalized. Karen will send an email notification once it is posted.
- SEMCOG reported that a winter maintenance training workshop was held in Farmington Hills. They are working on providing a training session in 2012 targeted toward identifying “waste” (i.e. solid, hazardous, etc) and what activities communities are required to do in order to meet any waste related environmental regulations.
- EMU is providing IDEP training in October. See agenda packet for registration information.

8) Summary of Action Items and Items for Next Meeting

- Razik will talk to Flat Rock and Romulus regarding their dues. Razik will also call Inkster to request a written notification of withdrawal from the ADW if they wish to discontinue membership.
- Karen will send an email to the ADW members once the ADW Annual Report Summary is available.

9) Set Next Meeting Date

The next meeting was tentatively set for Thursday, January 12, 2011 at 1:30 pm at Wade-Trim.

10) Adjourn

ACTION: There was a motion by Taylor to adjourn the meeting. The motion was 2nd by
South Rockwood. Motion carried.