

3. Public Hearing to present the Town of Waynesville Stormwater Program and provide a platform for public input.
 - Olga Grooman, Planner
 - Sam Cullen, Code Enforcement Official
 - Eric Romaniszyn, Haywood Waterways

Town Attorney Martha Bradley opened the Public Hearing at 7:20 pm.

Mr. Eric Romaniszyn, Executive Director Haywood Waterways, told the Board that this was a great collaboration between the Town and Haywood Waterways. The Phase II Stormwater Program is based around the five-year National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit (NPDES) by the State. The purpose of the Permit is to manage stormwater runoff and prevent degradation of Richland Creek and its tributaries. The Town works with Haywood Waterways to create a Storm Water Management Plan that addresses six minimum measures that must be met. One of the requirements is to provide a mechanism for public input on the issues of stormwater once a year.

Some of the issues that are addressed by the Program are sediment, trash, bacteria, and thermal stress. Since 2007 Haywood Waterways has been helping the Town with Public Education and Outreach with postcards, public displays, press releases social media, public presentations, webpages, and a hot line.

Ms. Olga Grooman, Planner, explained to the Board the Town is considered MS4 which is a municipal Separate Sewer System. Ms. Grooman referred the Board to the power point which

gave details of the permit requirements, post construction stormwater management, discharge detection, and pollution prevention.

Mr. Sam Cullen, Code Enforcement Official, worked with Ms. Grooman on the Plan and went over the stormwater control measures with the Board. Pictures were provided of the projects, before and after, that have been completed at Fire Station 1 and Calhoun Road substation, and the Greenway Rain Garden. Mr. Cullen said that areas that have previously been neglected, have been cleaned up and it is a State requirement that a maintenance schedule be set up for these properties. A website for stormwater has been established along with a hot line number that can be called if citizens see violations.

Attorney Bradley asked if anyone wished to speak from the audience.

No one spoke.

The Public Hearing was closed at 8:00 pm.

A motion was made by Alderman Chuck Dickson, seconded by Alderwoman Julia Freeman to accept the Town of Waynesville Stormwater Program as presented. The motion passed unanimously.