Jelkes-Fox Watershed Action Group
Steering Committee

MINUTES
October 27, 2011
Otto Engineering
11 West Main, Carpentersville, IL 60110
7:00 – 9:00 pm

I. Introductions:
Kelsey Musich, KDSWCD
Candice Jacobs, KDSWCD
Scott Marquardt, Village of Carpentersville
Gerard Frabrizius, KDSWCD Chairman
Frank Bisconti, Resident
David Poweleit, Resident

Tom & Cindy Bernardoni, Residents
Joseph Heinz, Gerald L. Heinz Associates
Craig Zachrich, Haeger Properties
Bill Englund, Resident
Mike Ander, Resident
Ron Dittmer, Resident

Meeting Handouts Include: Watershed Action Plan sheet (Updated), last meeting minutes (9.29.2011), and Revised Watershed Goals. To view these handouts, go to www.kanedupageswcd.org

II. Recap of previous meetings/events:
Before reviewing previous meetings/events, Kelsey went through a brief opening of what Soil & Water Conservation Districts (SWCD) are, when they were founded and why, and that one SWCD is housed in every county in the State. She explained that SWCD’s are very similar to University of IL Extension offices. A question was asked about what the government does with land recommendations through the watershed plan. Kelsey handed out a copy of the previous Blackberry Creek Watershed Plan for everyone to have as an example. She explained that the project recommendations that are listed in the plan might have been suggested by someone other than the landowner. She stated the importance of landowner willingness to every project that goes in the plan.
Next, Candice reviewed the previous meetings and events that have happened since the last Stakeholder Meeting. On 10.20.2011 KDSWCD, Kane County, Geosyntec, and a few of the residents of the Frontenac Subdivision met to further discuss project recommendations for Lake Beatrice. On 10.18.2011 KDSWCD met with Joe Heinz from Gerald L. Heinz Associates and the Village of East Dundee to brainstorm some project recommendations within the Village. East Dundee will be summarizing their projects and submitting it to the group. Candice also stated the dates for the Watershed Event that will be located in Elgin on May 4th and 5th.

III. Presentations:

Tom Roeser, Otto Engineering, will be presenting at the next meeting on November 17th.

Watershed Inventory Update:

Kelsey showed the group where the Watershed Inventory stream and gully segments are located within the watershed. She also explained the quarter sections that need to be inventoried for their land use, land cover, etc. Candice explained that KDSWCD staff is working on transposing all the project recommendations within the Watershed Action Plan into a GIS map layer to visually show where all the projects are located within the Watershed.

Kelsey explained the Goals sheet that was passed around. We are working on using the word bank to categorize all the projects in the formal table that will go in the body of the Watershed Plans (the first 30 rated high for water quality benefits). The rest of the project recommendations will go in an appendix.

IV. Watershed Action Plan update:

a. Landowner Ideas/Concerns: There were no additional Landowner concerns brought to the table.

b. Existing Project Recommendations review: KDSWCD will be gathering project recommendations from residents and municipalities through the end of November.

c. New Project Recommendations: None.

V. Next Meeting

a. Thursday, November 17th 2011 (7-9 pm) at Otto Engineering

b. Representation: Village of Sleepy Hollow?

VI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm