

Minutes
Soil and Erosion Fund Committee Meeting
January 5, 2010 4:00 P.M.

Members Present:

Mayor Jere Wood
City Administrator Kay Love
Councilmember Kent Igleheart, Environmental/Public Works Department Liaison
Alice Wakefield, Community Development Department Director
Mark Wolff for Stu Moring, Environmental/Public Works Department Director
Steve Acenbrak, Transportation Department Director
Jean Rearick, City Engineer

Guests Present:

Alice Champagne, Water Resources Manager

Swaybranch (Market Place) Stormwater Detention Facility (Dam Rehab)

This project is being brought back to the Committee seeking \$50,000 in additional funding for the this project that was approved for \$60,000 in Soil and Erosion Funds at the September 19, 2011 meeting.

Jean Rearick invited Alice Champagne with Environmental/Public Works to explain the request for additional funds.

The proposed project is a joint effort with the US Army Corps of Engineers. The city's responsibility is 25% of the total project cost. The initial bids came in over initial estimates which necessitated it to be rebid in October, 2011. Those bids were also high but an amount of \$1,046,044 was negotiated. The city's agreement with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineering was finalized on December 16, 2011. The city needs an additional \$30,000 for the project and is requesting the \$50,000 come from the Soil Erosion Fund which includes \$20,000 contingency funding.

Alice Champagne answered the Mayor's questions regarding the city's total outlay to be \$155,000 out of pocket for a \$1,046,044 project. The total value of the land credit was \$106,222 and the design cost paid by the city was \$60,000. The total value of the city's 25% contribution is \$261,111.

A motion was made by Mayor Wood to approve the use of an additional \$40,000 from the Soil Erosion Fund for the Swaybranch (Market Place) Stormwater Detention Facility which includes \$10,000 contingency with any amount not spent on the project to be returned to the Soil Erosion Fund. If additional funds are needed, another request should be made at a later date.

The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Kent Igleheart

The motion was unanimously approved.

A short discussion took place regarding the future of regional detention facilities similar to the Swaybranch project, stormwater utility fees and the possibility of charging for the use of regional stormwater ponds by new developments or redevelopments.

The mayor asked about whether there were any differences in stormwater fees for those served by stormwater ponds and those not served by an existing pond meeting current standards. Alice Champagne stated that those served by ponds meeting current standards could apply for a stormwater utility fee credit.

The meeting was adjourned.