

Community Planning Committee – Village of Arden

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday, January 30, 2019

Present: Mark Wood, Ron Meick, Grace Ressler

Not Present: Denise Nordheimer, Rick Ferrell

Visitors: Carol Larson, Brooke Bovard, Al Marks, Andrew Hayes

Meeting called to order at 7:04

Topics Discussed:

Minutes from 12/19/2018 were approved

PRESENTATION

Carol Larson requested the use of \$25,000 of Vacant Dwelling funds to fund a Storm Water Master Plan. There would be a matching grant available and Fore Site would apply for it.

Carol brought Andrew Hayes, Fore Site Associates, to speak about a Storm Water Master Plan. Gave to examples of the work FSA has done for Delaware entities, one private and one public, creating master plans.

Brooke, the chair of the Safety Committee, and Al, the chair of the Civic Committee are in agreement that we should fund this study.

After discussion the following motion was passed with a 2-1 vote and will be presented to the town officers:

“The Community Planning Committee recommends funding \$25,000 to engage Fore Site Associates to apply for a grant with DENREC to create a Stormwater Master Plan for the town of Arden. With the provision that all other avenues to fund it via the Schroeder funds etcetera have been exhausted.”

The following text is the Grant that we should apply for. (This was a handout at the meeting)

DNREC, Division of Public Health now accepting proposals for wastewater, surface water and drinking water planning grants

Project proposals from government entities due by Feb. 27

DOVER (Jan. 24, 2019) – The Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control’s Division of Watershed Stewardship and Office of Environmental Finance, along with the Delaware Division of Public Health, are now accepting project proposals from state, county and

municipal governments, and conservation districts for matching grants for wastewater, surface water, and drinking water project planning. Proposals must be received by 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 27.

Eligible projects include planning, preliminary engineering and feasibility analysis of wastewater and/or drinking water projects; stormwater retrofits; green technology practices; stream and wetland restoration projects; small watershed studies; master surface water and drainage plans; and other source water pollution control projects.

Wastewater Planning Grants assist with wastewater infrastructure project planning and design necessary to submit a loan application for funding consideration. Surface Water Planning Grants support projects and activities that focus on reducing surface water runoff and improving water quality in impaired watersheds. Drinking Water Planning Grants help municipal water systems prepare for large, often-costly projects such as troubleshooting source water quality and proposing solutions, reconfiguring water plants to optimize treatment, and determining water main size and locations, among other activities.

Grant applications of up to \$50,000 will be considered with a one-to-one cash match requirement. Up to 10 percent of the grant funds may be used for administrative costs. There is an annual cumulative grant award cap of \$100,000 per successful applicant per fiscal year for wastewater and surface water planning grants. Drinking water planning grants can be for any amount, provided funds are available.

The Wastewater, Drinking Water, and Surface Water Matching Planning Grant programs are set-asides in the State's Clean Water and Drinking Water Revolving Funds. Projects will be recommended for funding by the Delaware Water Infrastructure Advisory Council (WIAC) through a competitive grant process.

For a Wastewater Matching Planning Grant, the project guidelines and the application can be found online at [Wastewater Matching Planning Grant](#). Proposals must be submitted by email (less than 10 MB) to Greg.Pope@state.de.us.

For a Surface Water Matching Planning Grant, the project guidelines and the application can be found online at [Surface Water Matching Planning Grant](#). Proposals must be submitted by email (less than 10 MB) to James.Sullivan@state.de.us.

For a Drinking Water Matching Planning Grant, the project guidelines and the application can be found online at [Drinking Water Matching Planning Grant](#). Proposals must be submitted by email (less than 10 MB) to Heather.Warren@state.de.us.

For more information, please contact Greg Pope, Environmental Finance at 302-739-9941, Jim Sullivan, Division of Watershed Stewardship at 302-739-9922, or Heather Warren, Division of Public Health at 302-744-4739.

Up-date Community Garden – No update

Up-date Memorial Gardens – No update

Adjournment - 9:10 PM