

Community Building Development Team Meeting

Board of Directors Minutes

Date: Thursday – October 9, 2014

Time: 7:30 a.m.

Location: Cedar Springs Manufacturing

Board Members Present: Kurt Mabie, Betty Truesdale, Carolee Cole, Sue Wolfe, Dale Larson, Sally Howland, Nick Andres, Tom Holloway
Board Members Absent: Tom Mabie on vacation
Team Members Present: Duane McIntyre, Bob Truesdale, Perry Hopkins,
Special Guest: Josh Zuiderveen

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 a.m. by Kurt Mabie.

Josh Zuiderveen, of South Peat Environmental LLC outlined an opportunity for the CBDT to participate in Trout Unlimited's Department of Environmental Quality 319 Grant Proposal.

- A. The grant would allow Trout Unlimited to build 5 wetland restoration areas.
 - 1. Between the spring and the creek behind the fire barn – to protect from runoff from new library building and parking area.
 - 2. Restore the North Park area to a wetland. This will alleviate flooding in town that currently runs off roads and parking areas directly into the creek. Correctly developed, this area can store thousands of gallons of storm water runoff thereby allowing the excess water to seep slowly back into the ground and the creek at a cooler temperature and with less silt distribution into the creek.
 - 3. Bob and Betty Truesdale's property across from Cedar Springs Manufacturing
 - 4. Two areas in Sparta.

- B. This is a matching grant.
 - 1. Trout Unlimited is asking the CBDT to contribute \$20,000 toward the grant; \$10,000 in 2014 and \$10,000 in 2015.
 - 2. The application will be submitted on October 17.
 - 3. The winners of the grant will be notified in the spring of 2015.
 - 4. The work will be done in 2015 and 2016.
 - 5. It is possible the grant will yield \$350,000 to our community and Sparta over the next 2 – 3 years.
 - 6. If we don't win the grant, the \$20,000 is not paid out and the CBDT loses nothing.

A motion was made by Dale Larson and supported by Tom Holloway to make \$20,000 available as a matching grant to the Trout Unlimited 319 Grant Program over the next two years. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned: 8:34 a.m.

Next meeting is November 11, 2014

Respectfully Submitted,
Carolee Cole
Secretary