

MASON DIXON TASK FORCE, INC.

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Robert Thaeler, Chairperson

Memorandum

Date: July 25, 2018

To: Mason Dixon Task Force

From: Robert Thaeler, Chairperson

Subject: Minutes

Thursday, May 2, 2018

Host: York County Planning Commission, York, PA

Attendees:

Lindsey Gerner York County
Tony McClune Harford County
Terry Ruby York County
Clare Stewart Carroll County
Robert Thaeler Adams County
Erin Watts Baltimore County

The following are the Minutes for the Thursday, May 2, 2018 meeting of the Mason Dixon Task Force. The meeting was hosted by the York County Planning Commission at their offices in York, Pennsylvania. Chairperson Robert Thaeler of Adams County open the meeting at 10:10 AM.

I. Administrative:

• Minutes of the February 8. 2018 Meeting:

The Minutes of the February 8, 2018 were mailed to and reviewed by the members. No additional comments were made. A motion to approve the Minutes as is was made by, seconded by The Minutes were approved unanimously by the Task
Force.
• Treasurer's Report:
Mr. Thaeler presented the Treasurer's Report on behalf of Carolyn Conwell, Treasurer.
As of the April 2018 bank statement, the Task Force has a balance of
Interest in the amount of has been accrued in the past three months. A
motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by, seconded by
The Treasurer's Report was approved unanimously by the Task Force.
• Correspondence:
No written correspondence was received by the Task Force.

II. Future of Mason Dixon Task Force

Mr. Thaeler initiated a short discussion regarding the future of the Task Force. He asked members to indicate the types of issues and programming that provides value to each member's participation. Mr. McClune indicated that the Task Force has gradually evolved from an organization that was focused primarily on water resources issues to one that discusses broader planning issues.

Mr. Thaeler indicated that further discussion of this matter would be beneficial, especially given that some of the membership was absent from the meeting. He indicated that he would distribute some open ended questions to members before the next meeting. It is hoped that these questions could serve as the basis for further discussion regarding future activities of the Task Force.

III. Future Host County Program

Mr. Thaeler indicated suggested that continued discussion on potential future host county programs occur at upcoming regular meetings of the Task Force. He noted potential continued interest in the Fort Delaware program, and that he hoped further discussion of this program could occur with Jason Boothe in attendance.

IV. Presentation – York County

Ms. Gerner provided a presentation regarding stormwater management planning in York County. The presentation centered specifically on efforts within York County to establish a Storwmater Authority.

Ms. Gerner reviewed the work York County has been conducting that relates to its MS4 Permit. Specifically, the County has completed a York County Watershed Improvement Plan (WIP), as well as an original Chesapeake Bay Pollution Reduction Plan (CBPRP) and an Updated CBPRP for 2018-2019.

The County realizes that it alone is unable to perform projects to meet the area's MS4 requirements, and it realizes that individual municipalities in the County are unable to do so as well. Thus, in response to the MS4 requirements and countywide stormwater management planning work, the County has established a York County Stormwater Consortium. The Consortium brought the vast majority of municipalities within York County that are subject to MS4 permitting requirements to provide a means by which MS4 requirements can be addressed regionally.

From the Consortium stage, York County initiated the investigation as to whether a York County Stormwater Authority could be formed to address MS4 requirements. York County produced a York County Stormwater Authority Feasibility Study in 2016 which concluded that the Stormwater Authority is worth pursuing, and that further evaluation is necessary. Evaluation as to geographic scale and participation, scope of services, leadership and representation, staffing, and funding sources continues. Central to this discussion is consideration as to whether a stormwater fee, based on the amount of impervious coverage on a parcel. The funding would be used to cover the costs of public education and engagement, erosion control inspections, MS4 reporting, and regional stormwater BMP implementation based on the CBPRP.

V. Topics for Next Meeting

Mr. Thaeler confirmed that the next meeting will be held on Thursday, August 2, 2018 at Cecil County. The Task Force will continue its discussions regarding Host County Programs and the future of the Task Force. Mr. Thaeler indicated he will confirm with Jason Boothe regarding the availability of a presentation from Cecil County.

VI. Other Business

Mr. Thaeler recognized Mr. McClune's service to the Task Force as Chairperson for
many years. He suggested that the Task Force consider granting Mr. McClune emeritus
membership upon his retirement from Harford County. A motion to grant emeritus membership
to Mr. McClune was made by, seconded by The motion was
approved unanimously by the Task Force.
VII. Adjournment
With no further items for discussion, Mr. Thaeler call for a motion to adjourn the
meeting. A motion to adjourn was made by, seconded by The
motion was approved unanimously by the Task Force, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:10.

Respectfully Submitted

Robert Thaeler Chairperson