

**MINUTES
WELLHEAD PROTECTION COMMITTEE**

FEBRUARY 16, 2012

Chairperson, Bob Brauchler called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. Members present were Jay Thompson, Josh Reed, Dottie Kimbler, and Jeff Bertram. Advisory members present were Carrie Raber, Ron Mergen, and Chuck DeWolf. Absent were Renee Eckerly, Steve Robertson, Dave Neiman, John VanderBeek Jr., Mary Kiebel, and Jennifer Kaminski. Also present was Chris Lundeen, NFCRWSD.

Motion made by Bertram to approve the Consent Agenda and minutes of February 8, 2011 Wellhead Committee meeting. Seconded by Thompson and unanimously carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICER

**Motion was made by Bertram to keep the same officers:
Chairperson, Bob Brauchler
Vice Chair, John Vanderbeek
Secretary, Dottie Kimbler
Seconded by Thompson and unanimously carried.**

MEETING SCHEDULE

The Wellhead Protection Committee meetings will continue to be held on an as needed basis.

2012 WATER FESTIVAL

The Water Festival will be held on Friday May 11, 2012 at the Koronis Assembly Grounds. No changes in the schedule, sessions, and task list. Bulldog News may have one of the student's also video tape the event. The budget for the Festival was set at \$1,300.00 to be approved and submitted to the City Council.

**Motion made by Bertram to approve \$1,300.00 for the Water Festival Budget.
Seconded by Thompson and unanimously carried.**

MIDTOWN SERVICE STATION

There will be a meeting at Paynesville City Hall on April 19, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. Representatives from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency will be in attendance to discuss the failure of dewatering and what the next steps are.

WELL SURVEY

Fifteen wells were located; mostly sand point wells. The ones that are considered as abandoned/unused need to be sealed. Raber stated that there is funding available to seal these wells. It was suggested the City bid out the sealing of the wells using local well drillers. Raber and Mergen will meet to make a plan for future funding. Grant money is available, but

the application needs to be submitted by the end of February 2012.

WELLHEAD PROTECTION PHASE II - WORK PLAN

A new Work Plan needs to be implemented. Raber and Mergen will constitute a plan. These Work Plans are to be submitted every 2 ½ years. Plans are subject to audits; checking on the progress of Plan.

RAIN BARRELS & COPOST BINS

Members discussed purchasing and placing a rain barrel and compost bin in front of City Hall as a way to promote water conservation. Staff will also contact local businesses and see if they would be willing to sell them.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.