



## NBWW MONITORING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

### 1. Call Meeting to Order

Rob Flood, North Branch Chicago River Watershed Workgroup (NBWW) Monitoring & Water Quality Impairment Abatement Committee Chair, called the NBWW Monitoring & Water Quality Impairment Abatement Committee meeting to order at 12:33pm.

### 2. Roll Call

Monitoring Committee members present were **Rob Flood**, North Shore Water Reclamation District (NSWRD); **Alana Bartolai**, Lake County Health Department; **Wally Dittrich**, Village of Lincolnshire; **Anna Braum**, Forest Preserve District of Cook County; and **Michael Warner**, Gewalt Hamilton. A roll call was performed. A full list of meeting attendees is at the bottom of the meeting minutes.

### 3. Public Comment - None

### 4. Approve October 9, 2024 NBWW Monitoring & Water Quality Impairment Abatement Committee Meeting Minutes

Bartolai motioned to accept the October 9, 2024, NBWW Monitoring & Water Quality Impairment Abatement Committee Meeting Minutes, seconded by Warner. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

### 5. Old Business

#### a. Nutrient Assessment Reduction Plan Watershed Scenarios Discussion & Executive Board Recommendation

The Monitoring Committee reviewed the combined watershed scenarios rankings from the Monitoring Committee and Executive Board members. After discussion on the combined rankings and some additional considerations, the Monitoring Committee recommended the watershed scenarios numbers 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6 to the Executive Board. Brian Valleskey, Geosyntec, agreed that five (5) scenarios would be okay for Geosyntec to run. Brian requested the Monitoring Committee come up with a number of pounds phosphorus to be removed for watershed scenario #6. The Monitoring Committee recommended to start with 100 pounds of phosphorus.

#### Questions:

Clarification was needed by Geosyntec on “pounds of phosphorus”; daily or annual amount?

Brian answered that it is the total amount of phosphorous that a project or a series of projects (highlighted in the 2023 North Branch Chicago River Watershed-Based Plan) is removing from the system on an annual basis.

Warner motioned to recommend watershed scenarios 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6 (starting with 100 lbs of phosphorus removed from system) to the Executive Board for Geosyntec to run in the NARP model, seconded by Dittrich. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

#### b. Draft (revised) Water Quality Summary Report Member Comments

The Monitoring Committee members did not have any additional comments; all comments were



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submitted to Ashley Strelcheck, NBWW Coordinator, prior to the meeting and presented at the meeting by Anna Niedzinski, Lake County Stormwater Management Commission (meeting coordinator). Rishab Mahajan, Geosyntec, said the final report will be submitted to the NBWW the first week of December for a final review with potential approval at the January 8, 2024 meeting. The Monitoring Committee recommended paying the remaining balance of the contract when the final report is submitted. This recommendation will be brought to the Executive Board for consideration.

### 6. New Business

- a. Skokie Consolidated Drainage District (SCDD) new alternate position vote: Mary Scanlan  
The SCDD was having some changes to their Commissioner positions this week and it was recommended to table this agenda item until January 8, 2025 meeting when the appointments were official. Dittrich motioned to table this agenda item, seconded by Warner. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.
- b. NSWRD FY25 Technical Services Agreement Recommendation to Executive Board  
The Monitoring Committee had no revisions or questions on the NSWRD FY25 Technical Services Agreement. Bartolai motioned to recommend approval of the NSWRD FY25 Technical Services Agreement to the Executive Board, seconded by Dittrich. The motion passed, with one abstain by Flood.
- c. NBWW Draft Annual Newsletter Recommendation to Executive Board  
The Monitoring Committee had no revisions or questions on the 2024 draft Annual Newsletter. Dittrich motioned to recommend approval of the NBWW Annual Newsletter to the Executive Board, seconded by Warner. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

### 7. Member Remarks

Anna mentioned that any open FY24 NBWW contracts, need to send their final FY24 invoices after November 30, 2024 to close out the fiscal year contracts. Contact Ashley Strelcheck for any questions on this. The Salt Smart Collaborative is providing two additional in-person and virtual workshops (sponsored by NBWW) this year on November 13, 2024 and November 19, 2024. There is still time to register if interested.

8. **Next Meeting:** NBWW Monitoring Committee meeting: January 8, 2025 Deerfield, Village Hall, 850 Waukegan Rd, Deerfield, IL 60015 (Council Chambers Board Room)

### 9. Adjournment – 1:12pm

Warner motioned to adjourn, seconded by Dittrich. The motion passed unanimously.

### NBWW Monitoring Committee Meeting Attendees

NAME	ORGANIZATION
Alana Bartolai	Lake County Health Department
Anna Braum	Forest Preserve District of Cook County
Anna Niedzinski	Lake County Stormwater Management Commission, NBWW Coordinator



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<b>NAME</b>	<b>ORGANIZATION</b>
Brandon Janes	Village of Deerfield
Brian Valleskey	Geosyntec Consultants
Chuck Bodden	North Shore Water Reclamation District
Josephine Meincke	North Shore Water Reclamation District
Mark Olszewski	Village of Deerfield
Michael Warner	Gewalt Hamilton
Rob Flood	North Shore Water Reclamation District,
Wally Dittrich	Village of Lincolnshire