

Spring Creek Coalition Board Meeting September 08, 2022, Minutes

The meeting was called to order by SCC president Beth Rooney at 6:04pm. Members present were: Sandy Whitekiller, Angela Brazeal, Beth Rooney, Karen Harris, Jennifer Donnelly and David Martinez.; absent were Travis Fite, Bill Chambers, Mike Appel and Chris Beckwith.

Pam Kingfisher attended as a guest.

The meeting started with a briefing from Attorney Matt Alison about our upcoming hearing with Judge Denney in Delaware County on October 21, 1:30pm, Jay, OK.

Pam Kingfisher spoke about the amount of water each house in a complex of multiple houses use: approximately 15,000 gallons per house per day. Since two complexes of 6 houses each have been shut down due to I&E Law's recent win against the Oklahoma Water Resources Board, that is a lot of water being saved. Pam also talked about the chicken mites that have been found in peoples yards neighboring the complexes.

MOTION David Martinez made a motion, seconded by Karen Harris, to approve the July and August minutes;
PASSED.

The treasurer's report was accepted for filing with an ending balance of \$54,094.05 as of August 31,2022.

A report on the problems at Kings Curve was given by Sandy Whitekiller. The neighbors are working with the County Commissioner and possibly with GRDA to resolve the problems they are facing. The County Commissioner had agreed to put up guard rails to block access to the problem areas but this proved to be cost prohibitive.

The Water Quality Committee led by Bill Chambers, along with Sandy Whitekiller, will meet with the Cherokee Nation (CN) to discuss the repair of surrounding septic and sewer systems that impact Spring Creek. The CN will be receiving a grant of approximately \$12,000,000 to match tribal funds for various projects.

Emily Oakley did an analysis of the water monitoring results over the 24 monthly testing period; her findings showed a trend in a gradual rise in phosphorus, e-coli and nitrogen. The next quarterly water testing will be September 22.

The SCC board has been invited to attend the STIR annual members meeting and dinner on Saturday, September 17.

The Field Day Committee is waiting to hear from neighboring watershed schools about a creek day on Friday, September 23.

David Martinez contacted Brent Rogers of the OK Corporation Commission for a status on our Spring Creek watershed plan. Brent is doing the modeling of soil and water. He indicated that OCC is working on our draft watershed plan but there is no timeline for when it will be finished.

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Minutes were prepared by SCC Secretary Angela Brazeal