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Mr. Jason Berndt
Michigan Department of Environmental Quality
Resource Management Division
Community Drinking Water Unit
P.O. Box 30241
Lansing, MI 48909-7741

RE: Village of Vicksburg, Kalamazoo County, MI,
Wellhead Protection Grant, Quarterly Progress Report

Dear Mr. Berndt:

On behalf of the Village of Vicksburg, we are submitting the Progress Report for the third quarter. The quarterly report form and minutes are attached. Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Prein&Newhof



Michael A. Schwartz, P.E.

MAS:ms

Enclosures: Progress Report
Minutes
Agenda Package (June 5, 2015)

cc: Tracy Locey, Village of Vicksburg (via email)



Wellhead Protection Grant Program

Quarterly Team Meeting Progress Report

A Quarterly Team Meeting Progress Report must be submitted once each quarter during the agreement period. To complete the report, **list the activities from Table 2: Grant Assistance Tabulation that were in progress during the quarter for which you are submitting the report.** Enter the completion date or the anticipated completion date of those activities as well as any comments that are relevant to the completion date. Please submit report to MDEQ.

Community: Village of Vicksburg

Date: 6/04/2015

Activity From Table 2 (located in the agreement)	Anticipated Completion Date	Comments
Consulting	09/30/2015	Quarterly reports, minutes of meetings, copies of public information developed, and list of public education activities conducted throughout the year
Promotional items	09/30/2015	Will purchase throughout the year.
Public Education (Consulting Services)	09/30/2015	Copies of public information developed, and list of public education activities conducted throughout the year.

Team Member Signatures:

Michael Schwartze
Ken Schippers
Vicki White
Dirk Van Krimpen
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Village of Vicksburg
WELLHEAD PROTECTION PROGRAM
Team Meeting – June 4, 2015 (Quarter 3)

MINUTES

1. Wellhead Protection Team – Attendance and Team Members

Name	Organization	Email
Michael Schwartz	Prein&Newhof	mschwartz@preinnewhof.com
Ken Schippers	Village of Vicksburg - Manager	kschippers@vicksburgmi.org
Dirk VanKrimpen	Sunset Association	Cobra1550@att.net
Michael Tichvon	Angels Crossing Golf , Village Planning Commission	Tichvon12@hotmail.com
Vicki White	South County Fire Authority	vwhite@skcfa.org
Thomas Fevig	Bridge Organics	<u>thomasfevig@aol.com</u>
Tracy Locey	Brady Township	tlocey@vicksburgmi.org

Mr. Schwartz welcomed everyone to the meeting. Sign-in sheet was passed around for signatures along with an agenda package (copy enclosed) and reviewed the minutes from the 2nd quarter.

2. Grant Status

- Discussed the current grant cycle – Budget of \$2000 for education items – Village currently has supplies for the Block party event. Will evaluate afterwards regarding purchasing additional items.
- Currently Village will place 2 ads in South County News to utilize some of these funds

3. Public Education and Participation

- Install Wellhead signs – Ken / DPW is installing. Waiting on Miss Dig
- Upcoming Public Education Opportunities – 2015 Block Party is being planned in June 27th. The Village intends to have a table at this event. Dirk will facilitate coordination of items at table. Expect the table to be open 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.
- Inform and involve community about wellhead protection – Newsletter Document #1 will be published in April – Citizen’s Guide to Native Planting.
- Inform and involve community about wellhead protection – Newsletter Document #2 will be tentatively published in August – Tracy will contact Sue Moore to determine deadline. Mike to prepare article
- Sunset Association Meeting – Meeting was held on May 20th. Ron Smith is distribution information regarding “Natural Shorelines for Inland Lakes” and also “The Water’s Edge”.

4. Committee Members

- Tracy is resigning from Vicksburg. Will still be at Brady
- Consider asking Heather at MDEQ to continue on as a member.
- Find replacement for KCHSD to become a member of this committee (Hope, Other?).
- Vicksburg Community Schools – Bob Collins has resigned. Steve to remain
- Committee members signed for next year's grant application.

5. Next Meeting – All meetings at 11:45 am

- Thursday September 3, 2015 (Quarter 4)
- Thursday December 3, 2015 (Quarter 1)

Village of Vicksburg
WELLHEAD PROTECTION PROGRAM
June 4, 2015 (Quarter 3)

AGENDA

1. Wellhead Protection Team – Introductions

- Circulate Sign-In Sheet

2. Grant Status

- Grant cycle (FY 2015) – purchased items
- 2 Article in South County News
- 2015-2016 New application

3. Public Education and Participation

- Install Wellhead signs
- Upcoming Public Education Opportunities – 2015 Block Party - June
- Inform and involve community about wellhead protection – Newsletter Document - April
- Inform and involve community about wellhead protection – Newsletter Document - August
- Vicksburg Community Schools involvement (Red & White publication)
- Sunset Association Meeting – June

4. Committee Members

- Vicksburg Community Schools contacts

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Village of
Vicksburg

The Village with a Vision

May 12, 2015

To: Wellhead Protection Committee

Tom Fevig
Mike Tichvon
Bill Brumleve
Steve Goss
Tracy Locey
Don Ulsh
Vicki White
Ken Schippers
Chad Schippers
Dirk VanKrimpen

The quarterly meeting of the Wellhead Protection Committee has been scheduled for 11:45 a.m., Thursday, June 4, 2015 at the Vicksburg Community Center.

Please let me know if you will be unable to attend.

Lunch will be provided.

Thank you for your participation,

Tracy L. Locey
Village Clerk

A CITIZEN'S GUIDE TO NATIVE LANDSCAPING

Many of the grasses planted most often for lawns aren't the best for protecting water quality. Native plants—those naturally found in Michigan landscapes—actually help improve water quality, and they're an attractive alternative to turfgrass. Natives generally have deeper roots, which absorb runoff and break down pollutants that would otherwise go straight into storm drains and rivers. Native trees, shrubs, grasses and wildflowers encourage a healthy yard, and require much less maintenance than nonnatives or turfgrass!

What are some other reasons to plant natives?



While many non-native plants, such as purple loosestrife, are colorful and attractive, they are considered

“invasive” because they out-compete

native species and disrupt wildlife habitat. Native plants, on the other hand, offer nesting sites and food for wildlife. A garden of prairie wildflowers, for instance, will attract butterflies and hummingbirds to your backyard. Best of all, natives are adapted to our local soils and climate, so they do not need watering and require very little fertilizer or pesticides, which can pollute our waterways.

Find out more about native plants through MSU Master Gardener Hotline, or get a copy of “Landscaping for Water Quality”, a series of booklets available through your local MDEQ office or from the Center for Environmental Study @ 616-988-2854.



Some nurseries specialize in native plants, and local conservation districts offer free



site assessments to determine what plants will work best in your yard!

Call Michigan State University Extension Offices in to get a list of nurseries in your area.

What plants are native to Michigan?

Here's just a small sampling of plants that are native to our area and easy to find.

Ferns

Christmas
Cinnamon
Lady

Maidenhair
Ostrich
Royal

Grasses

Big bluestem grass
Cordgrass
Indian grass

Junegrass
Purple lovegrass
Woolgrass

Shrubs

Blueberry
Buttonbush
Dogwood
Fragrant sumac
Elderberry

Michigan holly
(Winterberry)
Serviceberry
Spicebush
Raspberry

Trees

American beech
Ash (Red, Green)
Blackgum
Black walnut
Canada hemlock
Douglas fir
Flowering dogwood
Hawthorn

Hickory
Maple (Red, Sugar)
Oak (Red, White)
Ohio buckeye
Paw paw
Sycamore
Tuliptree
White pine

Wildflowers

Anemone
Black-eyed Susan
Blazing star
Butterfly weed

Columbine
Coral bells
Purple coneflower
Woodland poppy

For more information, visit our website:



Don't let a good drop go bad!