

**Joint Subcommittee Meeting:  
Water Quality; Land Use & Planning  
(St. Marys River Management Committee)**

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
November 5, 2012  
6 p.m.**

A joint meeting of the Water Quality Subcommittee (of the St. Marys River Management Committee/SMRMC), the Land Use & Planning Subcommittee (also of the SMRMC) and other members helping with the 319 grant BBQ for the Browntown area was held on November 5, 2012, at the Cedar River Seafood restaurant in Callahan, Fl.

**Members in attendance:**

Merrill Varn  
John Myer  
Dean Woehrl  
Kevin Shell  
Mike Griffis  
Rick Frey, visitor

**Logistical Planning For Upcoming BBQ Event in Browntown, GA (Camden County)**

The members reviewed both the SMRMC and 319 grant goals for the BBQ. SMRMC goals are focused on awareness and public outreach. The goal of the 319 grant (and BBQ) is to focus on obtaining a list of residents willing to have their septic systems inspected so that a prioritized list of failing systems can be established for repair and/or replacement.

BBQ Schedule

Registration and Mix @ 5:30  
Dinner @ 6:00  
Program @ 6:30

Welcome and Intro all Speakers, Members, Commissioners- John Myers

History

Water Quality, OSDS Maintenance and Grant- Scott Pippin

Questions/ Comments/ Sign Up for Inspection (sign up at either registration or info table)

**Roles of Committee Members and Volunteers:**

Overall Chief – Scott Pippin UGA

SMRMC Chiefs

Layout and Logistics- Merrill Varn

Food and Serving Line- Karen Chisholm

Program and Chatter Uppers- John Myers

PR for SMRMC- Winifred Stephenson

Volunteers needed

Set up- Scott Pippin, Merrill Varn, Karen Chisholm, John Myers, Rick Frey

Registration table- Winifred Stephenson

Info table- Russell Barber

Chatter uppers- John Myers (LU), Scott Pippin (319), Dean Woehrle (PR), Al Crace (PR), Chip Campbell (?) (LU)

Serving line- Karen Chisholm, George Varn, Rick Frey

General gopher- Merrill Varn

Emcee- John Myers

History- Chip Campbell or Dean Woehrle

River Awareness and Septic talk- Scott

Breakdown- All committee members

Invitations (Scott Pippin)

5 Yard Signs (Merrill Varn will get, Karen Chisholm will post)

Lights (Merrill Varn and John Myers)

rope lights- 4 strands

extension cords- 2 short

ladder 8'

finishing nails or hooks and hammer

Food Supplies (Karen Chisholm)

foam plates

plastic forks

paper napkins (150)

table clothes

plastic cups

Additional serving supplies (Karen Chisholm)

warming tray for sandwiches

serving bowl and spoon for cole slaw

crook pots and serving spoon for beans

basket for napkins and forks

tables for serving food

Table Decorations and candles (Merrill Varn and Winifred Stephenson)

Winifred- grape vines, plumbago

Merrill- magnolia leaves and black-eyed susans

Winifred checking to see how many candles she has, Merrill will bring some from Coleraine

Trash (Merrill Varn bring from Coleraine):

trash can liners

recycle bin

toilet paper (2 rolls)

Food (Karen Chisholm)

pork for sandwiches (Pop's: Karen will contact)  
buns  
sauce  
cole slaw  
baked beans  
iced tea (?)  
water

Tables and chairs (Merrill Varn, Jim Wildes, Karen Chisholm)

chairs (Jim: White Oak 50)  
tables (Jim: six 8' tables for eating, 1 for serving, 1 for info/flyers)  
registration table plus two chairs (Karen has one at home chairs above)  
info table plus one chair (Jim table and chairs above)  
(put flat screen tv on info table)  
long extension cord and two prong adapter (Merrill)

Educational Materials (Winifred Stephenson, Scott Pippin, Merrill Varn):

SMRMC brochures (Winifred 100 copies)  
vegetative buffer info sheet (Scott 30-50 copies)  
general river manners sheet (Scott 30-50 copies)  
clean water info which covers CWA, 303, 319 (Scott 30-50 copies)  
various septic handouts (Scott 30-50 copies each)  
signs of failing system bullet sheet (Scott 30-50 copies)  
flat screen with dvd built in to show GA video (Scott)  
GA septic video (Scott)  
maintaining mound system video (Merrill)  
dirty jobs video (Merrill)  
septic maintenance handouts with video links (Merrill 30-50 copies)

Registration list with 319 target folks starred (Scott)

Other Miscellaneous Assignments:

--Russell Barber needs to read through all written materials and preview all videos so he can answer any questions

--Winifred Stephenson needs to look over registration list so she knows who the main 319 target folks are and be sure Scott knows they are there and talks to them and knows names of commissioners so she can be sure a Land Use subcommittee member talks to them.

--PR Chatter Uppers need to take names of community members who say they are definitely interested in being part of a community river awareness group.

--LU Chatter Uppers need to talk to Camden county commissioner(s).

When Event is Over: Breakdown

AV equip to Scott's car

Fold tables and chairs and put in storage either in Merrill's truck or at Karen's garage

Remove trash

Sweep shelter

Next Steps:

Scott will take all sign up material to UGA and let us know what we need to do next.

Water Quality and Public Relations subcommittees needs to follow up with community awareness group.