Minutes of the Stormwater and Environmental (SW&E) Meeting March 12, 2013

- Meeting commenced at 4:05 PM. All were present except Mo Linquist and Eric Vann. Emily Swearingen was present as council liaison.
- Minutes of meeting and talk by Lynn Bestul on Feb 19, 2013 were reviewed and approved.
- Fred Edgecomb was introduced as our prospective member. Fred and Barry Nelder will be proposed for membership at the next council meeting.
- -John Gordon discussed meeting on Feb 26 with Sonny Beeker. The accomplishments and proposed goals of the committee were discussed with Sonny and he was asked if he had tasks for the group. He asked that we focus more on stormwater and education on pollution prevention. He indicated he would review more items and get back with us.
- -We talked about the New Hanover Soil and Water Conservation District website on environmental education as a possible source of speakers and material. Tom Moffitt noted that his wife is a member of the Soil and Water District Committee, so he will talk with her about what is available. All members were asked to study the website.
- -We discussed other outreach at length, and whether education could be a success. We agreed to man a booth at the Spring Festival, and will ask Nancy Avery if the town can print a few hundred brochures much like a stormwater flyer originated by the city of Wilmington.
- We reviewed grant material provided by Nancy Avery, and agreed that another attempt should be made to get a Clean Water Trust Fund grant(due Sept 30). Tom Moffitt was asked to look at a grant sponsored by the soil and water district.
- We discussed future speakers, such as someone to speak to safer material to spray or spread on properties to fertilize lawns or control insects. Emily suggested a speaker for things homeowners can do to drain areas prone to flooding, including french drains (which may not work).
- -The next meeting was set for April 9, 2013. Meeting adjourned at 5:15 PM.