Mill Creek Watershed Partnership Meeting Bellville, Texas at Austin County Agrilife Extension Office

Minutes

November 5, 2018

Total Attendance: 26

Introduction

- Dr. Jake Mowrer welcomed everyone and began the meeting
- Give away raffle tickets to all attendees for the chance to win a rain barrel
- No voting required at this meeting

Overview

- Ward Ling delivered presentation and updates
- Reviewed sources of information for restoration and protection
- Mention of next month's Septic meeting at VFD Bellville
- TWON coming in 2019
- WQMP update
- Lone Star Healthy Streams Workshop coming in 2019
- Feral Hog control program
- Annual creek clean up event coming in 2019
- Water quality monitoring updates
- Texas Stream team monitors
- Rainwater harvesting
 - On average, 40" rain per year in Bellville, Texas
 - o 2000 sq. ft. roof can collect 18,840 gallons water per year

Discussion

1) What if our well never fails? Does rainwater harvesting make sense for us?

2) Raffled away rain barrel

Upcoming Calendar

• Homeowner Maintenance of Septic System Class on Monday, December 3rd at the <u>Bellville Volunteer Fire Department</u> from 8:30am-4pm and is free of charge. The event will certify homeowners in Austin County to maintain their aerobic septic systems. Visit <u>https://ossf.tamu.edu/</u> for more information.