# Storm Water Board Work Session March 8, 2011

The Storm Water Board for the Town of Cedar Lake held their regular Work Session on March 8, 2011. The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00 p.m. Those members present were: Greg Wornhoff, Chairman, Jerry Wilkening, Vice Chairman, and Walter Crissey. Ed Robinson, Public Works Director, and Jennifer Montgomery, Recording Secretary, were also present. Greg Parker, Town Council Liaison, was not present due to an Executive Session.

#### I. Minutes:

The Minutes from the February 22, 2011 Public Meeting were handed out for vote at the next Public Meeting.

#### II. Public Comment: None.

**III. Written Communication:** The Board received a letter from Clerk-Treasurer Amy Sund, as well as communications from Attorney David Austgen and Utility Clerk Jaime Bertola expressing concerns about possible courses of action concerning delinquent storm water drainage fees and legal concerns regarding what the Board can and cannot do as far as routes to take for collections. The Board agreed it is premature to talk about a course of action since they have to wait to make sure all the calculations are correct before proceeding.

#### IV. New Business:

- A. Water's Edge Condominiums, 8125 Lake Shore Drive, drainage concerns. Ed Robinson and the Board discussed multiple issues and possible solutions to the drainage concerns in the area.
- B. 11400-11500 blocks of W 131<sup>st</sup> Place, drainage concerns. Ed Robinson indicated that the homes in question were inspected on Monday, March 7, 2011 and that the homeowners have made the proper recommendations.
- C. 128<sup>th</sup> Place, north of Lake Shore Drive, drainage project. Walter Crissey indicated he talked with Sandra Bucklew and they were discussing issues and solutions. Ed Robinson also indicated that he will be meeting with Sandra Bucklew later in the week to discuss possible actions to take with the area in question.

#### V. Other Business:

- A. Krystal Oaks Pond. Completed.
- B. Washington Street, north of Lake Shore Drive, possible drainage project. The recording secretary indicated that she had spoken to Gary Alexander from the American Legion and that he stated they are no longer going to be involved in the project. The Board agreed to inspect the area in question to see if a silt fence was installed and if the American Legion is in violation, they may be fined.
- C. Public Works projects.
  - 1. Grading and swaling after significant precipitation events. Greg Wornhoff and Ed Robinson discussed getting the grader out and cutting swales, etc. Ed Robinson indicated Public Works is just waiting for better weather so they can get out and get the necessary work done.
- D. Delinquent Storm Water Drainage fees. See written communication.

# VI. Board Comments:

A. Walter Crissey expressed drainage concerns at 127<sup>th</sup> Ave and Cline Avenue. Mr. Crissey inquired if water can be redirected so it's not running across the road. Ed Robinson stated that culvert is shot at that location, but because it is on the

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homeowner's property and he can't afford to fix it, there is nothing the town can do to fix it. Greg Wornhoff asked if the ditch can be cleaned out, and Ed agreed to take a look at the area and try to come up with another solution.

- B. Walter Crissey also inquired about the area around Fairbanks where a builder is developing a house by Krystal Oaks pond. The builder is violating certain violations and Mr. Crissey asked if anything is going to be done about it. Ed said he's been written up and has 72 hours to correct it. If the issues are not corrected in the given time, then he will be fined. Ed Robinson said he would also check with Matt Lake concerning these issues. The board will readdress the issue if it is not corrected at the next meeting.
- C. 131<sup>st</sup> Place: Walter Crissey said that there is not enough cut in the road for water to make it to the catch basins. Ed stated they cannot put a catch basin on the north side of road. Greg said he had already talked to Ed about it after the last meeting. Public Works will get to it when they can and that nothing can be done until the asphalt plant is open.
- D. Jerry Wilkening inquired whether or not the area of Fairbanks at which the drain was in need of being cleaned out had in fact been taken care of. Ed Robinson indicated that it had. Mr. Wilkening also inquired whether or not citations would be issued if the owners did not keep in clean. Mr. Robinson said that those responsible would be fined.
- E. Jerry Wilkening stated that water was still running out of the sump pump, over the curb, and across the road on 126<sup>th</sup> Avenue on the north side. Ed Robinson stated that he thought Sandra Bucklew had corrected this issue. Mr. Robinson stated he would follow up with her and have an update at the next meeting.
- F. Potawatomi Park: Jerry Wilkening inquired as to who is responsible for cleaning that area, as there is a sediment pond that needs to be maintained. Greg Wornhoff inquired who built it. Mr. Wornhoff indicated that the Storm Water Board should have been notified of this issue so they could take over maintenance. Jerry Wilkening also indicated that Mary Joan Dickson had raised concerns because there is an area where kids may be able to get into the pipe in the area. Ed Robinson indicated that he would go look at the area and see if they can come up with any solutions.
- G. Ed Robinson mentioned that he received a letter that would be distributed to the Board concerning erosion and sediment control practices. Mr. Robinson stated that the necessary actions had been taken concerning the correspondence, but that he would still copy the Board with the letter.

# VII. Final Public Comment: None.

# VIII. Adjournment:

The Work Session ended at approximately 7:45 p.m.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ Recording Secretary