

**Storm Water Board  
Public Meeting  
November 22, 2011**

The Storm Water Board for the Town of Cedar Lake held their regular Public Meeting on November 22, 2011. The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:03 p.m. Members present were: Jerry Wilkening, Vice Chairman, and Walter Crissey. James Cornett of Public Works, Jenn Montgomery, Recording Secretary, Greg Parker, Town Council Liaison were also present. Greg Wornhoff, Chairman, was not present at tonight's meeting.

- I. **Minutes:** Motion to approve the Minutes from the August 23, 2011 and September 27, 2011 Public Meetings was made by Jerry Wilkening. Walter Crissey seconded. Motion carried.
- II. **Public Comment:** Jennifer Wilson of 8337 W 128<sup>th</sup> Place was present at tonight's meeting to discuss concerns of construction in her neighborhood. Ms. Wilson stated that she has brought her issues to the Board for several years. Recently, there has been work performed in her neighborhood. Ms. Wilson stated that since that work has been done, the flooding problems in the area have become worse. Ms. Wilson was unable to speak at the Town Council meeting and contacted as many people as she was able to thereafter. Ms. Wilson stated that virtually no one responded to her calls. Ms. Wilson stated there was a meeting near her property on November 3, 2011, and that she still has not heard anything since that meeting. Four (4) items were discussed at that meeting, and none of them have been addressed. Those items included elevating the curb at Ms. Wilson's property line, shortening the length of the curb going up the hills, changing the volume of water under the driveway, and repairing the culvert under the driveway of an adjoining property owner. Ms. Wilson stated she has received one (1) note from a council member that did not make sense to her. Ms. Wilson also stated that she was supposed to meet with a Town Engineer, but he was unable to meet with her and that he had no answers at that point. Curbs are being installed, but the roads are not yet paved. Ms. Wilson stated this work is forcing more water onto her property than before, and that this is happening without any major rain events since the work has been done. The Board agreed that they need answers to the issues that were discussed. Ms. Wilson stated that she received a note from the Town Engineer stating that the crews were not working because of the precipitation and that he will try to get back with her at a later time. He did visit Ms. Wilson's property while it was raining so he could examine the drainage issues she is experiencing. Ms. Wilson stated that the Town Council is concerned about getting the curbs and pavement in before winter, and then stated that her concern is that, historically, issues arise when work is not addressed properly from the beginning and then money won't be spent to correct the problem later. Jerry Wilkening stated he has not seen the plans, but it is a possibility that they will resume work in the area in the spring, when there is more time to correct the issues, and that maybe they are curbing and paving to provide the residents with roads for the winter. Mr. Wilkening also stated that they should attempt to contact the engineer again in the morning.
- III. **Written Communication:** None.
- IV. **New Business:**
  - A. Bob Sehnert, 14110 Morse Street; drainage concerns. No new information. Remove from agenda.
  - B. Valley Acres, 14700-14800 blocks of Reeder Court; drainage concerns. No new information. Remove from agenda.
  - C. Parrish Fields; drainage concerns. No new information. Move to Other Business.
- V. **Other Business:**
  - A. American Legion/CLEA, Washington Street; drainage project. This project will not take place until 2012.
  - B. Public Works Projects.
    - 1. Grading and swaling during significant precipitation.
    - 2. Potawatomi Park; responsibility of maintenance of sediment pond. No new information.
  - C. Delinquent Storm Water drainage fees. No new information.
  - D. Edison Avenue and 131<sup>st</sup> Avenue; drainage concerns. Jim Cornett of Public Works stated that they have filled in the potholes as best as they could at the time being.
  - E. Water's Edge Condominiums, 8125 Lake Shore Drive, and 128<sup>th</sup> Place, north of Lake Shore Drive; drainage project. See Public Comment.
- VI. **Final Public Comment:** None.
- VII. **Board Comment:** None.

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**VIII. Adjournment:** The Public Meeting ended at approximately 7:27 p.m.

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Greg Wornhoff, Chairman

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Jerry Wilkening, Vice Chairman

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Walter Crissey

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jenn Montgomery, Recording Secretary