

**Storm Water Board  
Public Meeting  
January 24, 2012**

The Storm Water Board for the Town of Cedar Lake held its regular Public Meeting on January 24, 2012. The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:59 p.m. Members present were: Norm Stick, Mike DeFrancesco and Glenn Sechen, members. Ian Nicolini, Town Administrator, James Cornett of Public Works, and Jenn Montgomery, Recording Secretary, were also present. Randy Niemeyer, Town Council President, and Greg Parker were also present this evening.

**Election of Officers:**

- A. Chairman:** Mike DeFrancesco moved to elect Norm Stick as Chairman. Glenn Sechen seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- B. Vice-Chairman:** Norm Stick moved to elect Mike DeFrancesco as Vice-Chairman. Glenn Sechen seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**Retention of Services:**

- A. Engineering Services:** Mark Kaiser of Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. introduced himself as the engineer who will provide services to the Board. Mr. Kaiser stated he will attend meetings as needed, as well as meet with the members on site with any issues or concerns that they may have. Mike DeFrancesco moved to retain Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. as the Board's Engineer. Glenn Sechen seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- I. Minutes:** Glenn Sechen moved to approve the Minutes of the December 27, 2011 Public Meeting. Mike DeFrancesco seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**II. Public Comment:**

- Martha Hernandez of 13315 W 133<sup>rd</sup> Drive was present at tonight's meeting to discuss drainage issues at her property. Norm Stick stated that he has gone to the property to assess the drainage in the area. There is a catch basin that was connected to the drainage off 133<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. Norm Stick stated that it is very possible that some roots may be in the catch basin, which could be obstructing the drainage. Mr. Stick suggested that a downspout be extended away from the house to keep some of the flow away from Ms. Hernandez' home. Another option may be installing a sump pump since the water is coming from the floor drain. These were only suggestions to try to alleviate the drainage issues at the home.
- Jeff and Sharon Pawlik of 14719 Reeder Court were present at tonight's meeting to discuss ongoing drainage issues in the vicinity of Reeder Road and 147<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Discussion occurred regarding possible solutions, including installing a temporary culvert plug to the culvert in question. Jim Cornett and Engineer Mark Kaiser stated this may be one idea to see if the culvert is part of the problem.

**III. Written Communication:** None.

**IV. Other Business:**

- A. Public Works Projects.**
  - 1. Grading and swaling maintenance. Ongoing. Jim Cornett states that maintenance is on and off throughout the season.
  - 2. Potawatomi Park; responsibility of maintenance of sediment pond. No new information.
- B. Oaks/Shades Road Project.** No new information.
- C. Parrish Fields; drainage concerns.** The easement in the residents' rear yards has been modified in such a way that much of the water from precipitation is not reaching the

detention pond. Without owning the detention pond and without making the homeowners remove their fences, there is not much we can do until the detention pond issue is taken care of.

D. Vicinity of Reeder Road and 147<sup>th</sup> Avenue; drainage concerns. See public comment.

**V. Final Public Comment:** None.

**VI. Board Comment:** None.

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

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Norman Stick, Chairman

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Mike DeFrancesco, Vice-Chairman

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Glenn Sechen

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Attest: Jenn Montgomery, Recording Secretary