Storm Water Board Public Meeting February 28, 2012

The Storm Water Board for the Town of Cedar Lake held its regular Public Meeting on February 28, 2012. The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00 p.m. Members present were: Glenn Sechen, Mike DeFrancesco, Vice Chairman, and Norm Stick, Chairman. James Cornett of Public Works, and Jenn Montgomery, Recording Secretary, were also present. Bob Carnahan of the Town Council was also present at tonight's meeting. Ian Nicolini, Town Administrator, was not present.

- I. **Minutes:** Glenn Sechen moved to approve the minutes from the January 24, 2012 Public Meeting. Mike DeFrancesco seconded. After a voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.
- II. Public Comment: Ron Follmer of 6500 W 129th Avenue was present at tonight's meeting. Mr. Palmer stated he lives in Lemon Lake Estates and has some drainage concerns regarding the development in Krystal Oaks. Mr. Follmer stated that the developer of Krystal Oaks needs to address and correct the issues that he and his neighbors are experiencing. Bob Carnahan stated that when Krystal Oaks was being developed, several drainage tiles were cut. Mr. Carnahan was under the impression that these issues had been addressed, as Christopher B Burke Engineering had discussed solutions with Hawk Development, the developer of Krystal Oaks. Mr. Follmer stated there is always standing water on his property, along with his neighbors'. Mr. Carnahan stated that he has had several complaints about the area, and some residents have pictures evidencing same. Hawk Development had dug a ditch to try and alleviate some of the flooding, but residents are still having problems. The Board stated they will investigate these issues and possibly contact the engineers for their recommendations.

III. Written Communication: None.

IV. New Business:

- A. Austgen, 10515 W 129th Avenue; Stormwater Utility Fee Reconsideration. The Board was provided with information regarding this request. However, the homeowners were unable to attend tonight's meeting and requested that this item be deferred until they are able to attend.
- B. Kennedy, 8618 W 132nd Avenue; drainage concerns. Glenn Sechen stated that he spoke to Mr. Kennedy, who indicated that he would like to speak with the Board and provide the Board with more information regarding this item. Mr. Kennedy was unable to attend tonight's meeting and will be contacting Recording Secretary Jenn Montgomery to let her know when he will be able to attend. Norm Stick stated that this is a private property matter and there is nothing the Board can do, besides sending a letter to the neighbor requesting he defer his sump pump away from Mr. Kennedy's property. Glenn Sechen moved to hold off on sending any letters until Mr. Kennedy is able to attend a Stormwater Board Meeting. Mike DeFrancesco seconded. Motion carried.

V. Other Business:

A. Public Works Projects.

- 1. Grading and swaling maintenance. No new information.
- 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. Jim Cornett provided the Board with several prints of the area and explained where exactly the flooding issues are occurring. It was discovered that there is a culvert that runs underneath Parrish Avenue into Parrish

Fields. Discussion occurred regarding the culvert and if it was approved to be there. Discussion also occurred regarding whether or not any pipes are clogged up and why nothing is making it to the retention pond. Although the Town does not own the pond, there may be other issues as to why water is not making it there. The Board and Public Works will investigate further.

- D. Vicinity of Reeder Road and 147th Avenue; drainage concerns. A plug has been installed in the culvert that runs under 147th Avenue and Reeder Road. There has not been enough precipitation to determine if the plug is working. It was indicated that the grade in the area has been changed multiple times to try to alleviate the issues, but there seems to be a natural swale that causes flooding in the adjacent areas. Norm Stick suggested putting culverts under the property owners' driveways to try to direct water to the south. Discussion occurred regarding the area and that the Board and Public Works will keep an eye on the area during the next rain fall to see if the plug is working.
- VI. Final Public Comment: None.
- VII. Board Comment: None.
- VIII. Adjournment: The Public Meeting ended at approximately 8:11 p.m.

Norman Stick, Chairman

Mike DeFrancesco, Vice-Chairman

Glenn Sechen

Attest: Jenn Montgomery, Recording Secretary