

**Storm Water Board
Work Session
March 13, 2012**

The Storm Water Board for the Town of Cedar Lake held its regular Work Session on March 13, 2012. The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:59 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. Ian Nicolini, Town Administrator, was not present at tonight's meeting.

- I. **Minutes:** Minutes from the February 28, 2012 Public Meeting will be voted on at the next Public Meeting.
- II. **Public Comment:** Jennifer Wilson of 8337 W 128th Place was present at tonight's meeting to discuss drainage concerns on her property. Ms. Wilson explained to the Board that since the road improvement project has started in her neighborhood, the drainage and flooding problems on her property have become significantly worse. Discussion occurred regarding the placement of pipe, culverts and catch basins and whether or not it is helping with Ms. Wilson's problems. The Board explained that they will visit the site to gain a better understanding of the area before the next meeting.
- III. **Written Communication:** None.
- IV. **New Business:**
 - A. Follmer, 6500 W 129th Avenue; drainage concerns. Mr. Follmer was present at tonight's meeting. Norm Stick stated that the Board has been out to the site. After review, Mr. Stick stated that the drainage (ditches, swales, etc.) in Krystal Oaks is adequate for the subdivision and it doesn't appear that the issue is the drainage from the neighboring subdivision. Unfortunately, it appears that Mr. Follmer is in a lower spot than surrounding areas, and this might be why his property continues to flood. Discussion occurred regarding possible solutions to the flooding problems, including putting fill in the low spots of the property. Mr. Follmer inquired about receiving any help from the Town. The Board explained that, unfortunately, the Town cannot help with private property issues, as it would be unfair to the other taxpayers in Cedar Lake. Discussion occurred about other solutions to alleviate Mr. Follmer's issues. Remove from agenda.
- V. **Other Business:**
 - A. Kennedy, 8618 W 132nd Avenue; drainage concerns. The Board received past letters sent to adjacent property owners and information on the property, including information regarding the "Common Enemy Rules." Mr. Kennedy had indicated to the Recording Secretary that this is just information for the Board and that he would like to speak with the Board before any decisions are made regarding this issue. Mr. Kennedy will contact Jenn Montgomery when he is able to attend a meeting. Remove from agenda until further notice.
 - B. Public Works Projects.
 - 1. Grading and swaling maintenance. No new information.
 - 2. Potawatomi Park; responsibility of maintenance of sediment pond. No new information.
 - C. Oaks/Shades Road Project. No new information.
 - D. Parrish Fields; drainage concerns. Jim Cornett provided the Board with pictures of the pipe running through Parrish Fields. The pipe varies in size from twelve inch to twenty-four inch (12"- 24"), which may be why there have been drainage issues. The culvert that runs underneath Parrish Avenue has collapsed at the beginning of the pipe, on the west side of Parrish Avenue, which will be corrected by Public Works. Discussion

occurred about other possible solutions to alleviate the flooding issues that residents in Parrish Fields have been dealing with.

- E. Vicinity of Reeder Road and 147th Avenue; drainage concerns. No new information. Remove from agenda.

VI. Final Public Comment: None.

VII. Board Comment: Mike DeFrancesco inquired about who is responsible for the maintenance of the dam in Cedar Lake. Jim Cornett stated that the dam is property of the State and that Cedar Lake has nothing to do with it. Discussion occurred regarding water outlets and inlets around the lake and maintenance of same.

VIII. Adjournment: The Public Meeting ended at approximately 8:12 p.m.

Attest: Jenn Montgomery, Recording Secretary