



**Storm Water Board  
Public Meeting and Work Session Meeting  
March 28, 2017 at 7:00 pm**

Call to Order: 7:01 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Absent Scott Leslie

Present Thomas Frick

Present Daniel Enright

Present Donald Oliphant, Town Engineer – CBBEL

Absent Scott Hutchinson, Foreman, Public Works

Present Tammy Bilgri, Recording Secretary

Others Present: Jill Murr, Town Administrator and Robert Carnahan, Town Council

**MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Thomas Frick and seconded by Daniel Enright to approve the February 28, 2017 Public Meeting and Work Session Minutes as presented.

Scott Leslie	Thomas Frick	Daniel Enright	Vote
Absent	Yes	Yes	2-0

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. Muir Woods, Lots 5 & 6, 13660 Muir Ln.-deferred to April 25, 2017-No updates
- B. Josh Strominski, 13700 Lauerman St.-deferred to April 25, 2017-Don Oliphant stated there is an update. Those plans were finished last summer, Tim Kubiak sent them out and got bids back today. B&D Sewer bid came in with \$108,206 and PGX came in with \$113,625. Original alternative goes through the conference ground for about \$69,000, our initial quote was if the town would buy the pipe. Tim bid it out with everything included. Need to sit down with Jill Murr, Amy Gross and Tim Kubiak to discuss where the money is coming from. Tim wants to be on the crew himself for a week and have Public Works do the project and save some money. Discussion ensued on if a recommendation was made to complete the project or if just to look into the cost of doing the project. Still checking on amount of funding available to do this project.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Bob Carnahan brought up drainage issues at HarryO's Restaurant. Have contacted the LaPorte Communications director. Don Oliphant stated they are responsible only for the ditch lines, but private driveway culverts are the responsibility of the owner/municipality to maintain. A lot of the culverts are crushed or full of debris. That is attributing to why it is not working. This is on Scott Hutchinson's list to use the vac truck to try to clean it out. Also, Emerald Towing is experiencing problems. The drainage issues were not covered under the Route 41 project. They have sent it to their maintenance department, they will put it on their list. From a town perspective we can check out the driveway culvert and get a limit of where they need support.

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATION:**

- A. Dan Davis, 14329 Riskin Rd.-attached email-Have looked at this in April of 2016, the email states this is the same problem as before. New houses are flooding back yards that have not flooded before. Ms. Davis stated the neighbor has put in a french drain, built a trench coming down the yard with gravel and piping along the fence. The water is coming toward her house. Don Oliphant stated you would not typically use a french drain for this situation. He is trying to drain it into the ground, it is so saturated back there, nowhere for it to go. Ms. Davis stated one rain and her yard is flooded, grass is washed away, trees rotted. Don discussed the drainage system in that area. The building department has flagged two (2) lots and will not let the builder build on them until something is done with the drainage. Scott Hutchinson went out there and did some grading within the public right of way behind her house and tried to notch it and get it to go. Don Oliphant stated this subdivision came

before the Plan Commission in 2005, there were recommendations for storm water, but for some reason they got waived. This was prior to some of our ordinances. A pipe goes right through lot 14311, don't know where it goes. Have a bowl here and no outlet for it. Discussion on possible solutions ensued.

A motion was made by Daniel Enright and seconded by Thomas Frick to contact Accent Homes regarding the drainage issues.

Scott Leslie	Thomas Frick	Daniel Enright	Vote
Absent	Yes	Yes	2-0

- B. Cramer, 13141 Polk St.-Don Oliphant stated this is two (2) properties in Meyer Manor. At this point Polk is basically an alley ten (10) foot right of way. The Meyer Manor project was done almost ten (10) years ago, 132<sup>nd</sup> Avenue was curved and reconstructed. Polk was not touched as part of that. Installed a new small ten (10) inch line that replaced one (1) existing inlet and adding another and already that goes to the lake. There was an existing twelve (12) inch metal pipe that drained the area, in the northwest corner where the new inlet is, came across 132<sup>nd</sup> and came out. Think that culvert was maintained in some fashion, Scott went out there about a year ago on this. Tim Kubiak and John Foreman sent some texts this afternoon about the issues. The lake may be silting in a little bit, but the water is bypassing the inlets and getting into Mr. Cramer's property. He owns two (2) properties there, 13141 and also 8514 132<sup>nd</sup>. Just found out about it this afternoon, still not sure what is going on. Not sure if a maintenance issue, will get out there to look at it. Discussion on if something is plugged or if the lake is up.

**PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS:**

Working on leveling off edges of the roads and working on leaf and branch pickup.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

**ADJOURNMENT:** 7:45 p.m.

**PRESS SESSION:** None

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Daniel Enright - Chairman

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Thomas Frick - Vice-Chairman

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Scott Leslie - Member

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Tammy Bilgri, Recording Secretary

Storm Water Board Public Meeting –April 25, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

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