



**Storm Water Board  
Public Meeting and Work Session Meeting  
Minutes  
February 26, 2019 at 6:30 pm**

Call to Order: 6:30 p.m.  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Roll Call:

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| Present    Thomas Frick   | Absent    Donald Oliphant, Town Engineer – CBBEL |
| Present    Ryan Lisek     | Present    Tom Stevens, Public Works             |
| Present    Daniel Enright | Present    Tammy Bilgri, Recording Secretary     |

Also present: Jill Murr, Town Administrator and Robert Carnahan, Town Council Liaison

**MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Daniel Enright and seconded by Ryan Lisek to approve the November 27, 2018 Public Meeting and Work Session Minutes as presented.

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| Thomas Frick | Ryan Lisek | Daniel Enright | Vote |
| Yes          | Yes        | Yes            | 3-0  |

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Teresa McCann-12711 Wheeler St.: Ms. McCann stated she lives on a corner lot and where the sump pump was installed and the slope of her property makes the water drain toward the sidewalk and this time of year causes icy conditions. Tom Stevens stated he has been out there and this is a condition due to the way the sidewalk was designed. Ms. McCann stated that Tim Kubiak referred her to come to the meeting, to see if there is a possibility to tie this into the storm drain. Tom Stevens stated there is a storm drain in the corner. Ms. McCann's house is in a low spot in the neighborhood. Discussion ensued about the slopes of the sidewalk. Dan Enright stated the Board will go out and take a look at this and check the pitch of the sidewalk to see what we can do to help.
- B. Barbara Peter-13437 Bluebird Ln.: Ms. Peter stated she purchased a house in Robins Next in 2011, the first few years they didn't have any problems. The back of their property they have a twelve ft. (12') easement that is also a natural storm drain. The house north has dammed up the yard, and brought in truckloads of dirt to raise the yard. They have also put in pavers and a raised garden. So all the water stays in her yard. The corner of the backyard has the NIPSCO transformer, NIPSCO told me if there is standing water in the yard you should be careful. Also, 13442 Cardinal, they have a hose running from their house and it is coming into her yard. The house behind has taken drain hose and runs it from the back of his house to a couple feet from the property line. There is also another hose that drains his washing machine. Tom Stevens stated they have been out to look at this and have an idea how to fix this issue, by putting in a basin and piping it out to the street. Ms. Peter shared

pictures with the Board. Discussion ensued on where the easement is located. Dan Enright asked if there were ordinances against bringing in fill or changing a waterway. Tom Stevens stated this is a bigger issue than originally thought. Dan Enright suggested contacting the Building Department to see what violations there are regarding damming the property. Will look into this matter further.

- C. Nancy MacFarland-7630 W. 140<sup>th</sup> Ave.: Jill Murr stated Ms. MacFarland had contacted her council member and they suggested she attend the meeting. Staff are checking into this matter further.

**UPDATE ITEMS:**

- A. Mary Joan Dickson-8711 W. 132<sup>nd</sup> Pl.: Jill Murr stated Don Oliphant sent some recommendations for this property. Staff has not had the chance to review these yet, would like time to look over and then give recommendation. Finished up the survey work and those were put together. Dan Enright expressed concern with the costs for this project.
- B. Jennifer Wilson-8337 W. 128<sup>th</sup>: Ms. Wilson brought up concerns with a neighboring property and the driveway that was shortened with the original project. Discussion ensued on past work done on the property. Staff will look into this further and discuss with Don Oliphant.
- C. Eric Johnson-12517 Marsh Landing Pkwy.: Jill Murr stated after engineer review, worked with staff to come up with a plan. Four (4) easements are needed, the easement documents are with the attorney, should have by the end of the week.

**PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS:**

Tom Stevens stated they are working on pothole repairs and have a water issue behind Zip Foods.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**ADJOURNMENT: 7:30 PM**

**PRESS SESSION:**

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Daniel Enright - Chairman

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Thomas Frick - Vice-Chairman

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Ryan Lisek - Member

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Tammy Bilgri, Recording Secretary

Storm Water Board Public Meeting – March 26, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

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