

## Town of Porter Stormwater Management Board 303 Franklin Street Porter, Indiana 46304

## MINUTES FROM THE MEETING APRIL 25, 2023

The meeting opened at 5:02 pm with Jim Eriksson leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Officers Present-Erik Hellmuth, William Lopez, Jim Eriksson. Also, at the meeting was Tammie Sufana, Mike Barry, and Reggie Korthals

Motion to approve the minutes of March 28, 2023 as written was made by Mr. Lopez, second by Mr. Eriksson.

Motion passed 3-0.

Motion to approve the accounts payable voucher in the amount of \$14,304.60 as submitted was made by Mr. Eriksson, second by Mr. Lopez. Motion passed 3-0.

Treasurers Report –Mr. Lopez states the current balance is \$954,897.87.

MS4 Permit Update-Reggie Korthals, BF&S, states the Stormwater Annual Report is accepted and approved, Stormwater Management Plan is accepted and approved, Quality Characteristic Plan is accepted. She is looking at different elements the town needs to maintain, updating stormwater website adding information, trying to see what issue we need to look at for the town. Also, we need to create education outreach so community knows what you are doing. She is also going to look at what grants are available for funding major projects. We are going to work more with the Park department with fishing derby. She has spoken with Chesterton and Burns Harbor. Maybe partner with Burns Harbor and Chesterton can have cost effective education outreach.

## Public Comments- NONE

Reports by Michael Barry-Carlson corners-He has talked to Nipsco a week ago still waiting for them to move gas lines. The town has done some work there by digging most of ditches out.

South Mineral Springs-Abonmarche is finishing up quote documents.

Trying to get an update from Haas on drawing for Stormwater project.

Reggie has masterplan to see how we can update and prioritize projects. She will give us a cost.

Mr. Hellmuth ask if it is possible to get a list of small projects that we can do now. Mr. Barry states he will work on it.

Old Business- Mr. Hellmuth gave a summary from last meeting with Mrs. Worthen. Mr. Barry states the public works needs to fix her ditch in the front. In the back Porter County owns the ditch, they are the ones placed the pipes. Mrs. Worthen backyard drainage is not our problem. She needs to talk to the neighbors and Porter County.

New Business-Global Task Order 23004.01 for North Bailey Dr Stormwater Improvements is to create legal descriptions for 6 easements, to include open ditch and pipe combinations for all parcels, and new concrete culverts and driveway aprons and provide title for the parcels, not to exceed \$10,200.

Mr. Lopez made the motion to approve Task Order 23004.01 not to exceed \$10,200, Mr. Eriksson seconded.

Motion passed 3-0.

Mr. Barry states that Mr. Markovich has the culvert in and it is draining better. Nipsco has installed utilities down Ash St. Mr. Barry comments that Mr. Markovich now has someone that knows about construction running project things might run smoother. Mr. Barry states Mr. Markovich has done everything the Town has asked him to do so far. He needs to get a ditch along Waverly but will do that once we have fixed the drainage problem in that area.

He will email Haas updates when he gets them. He also hopes to have construction plans in June, this time next year the project could be complete.

Board Comments-Mr. Hellmuth comments he is looking forward to seeing the small projects list at next meeting.

Adjournment-Mr. Lopez made a motion to adjourn, second by Mr. Eriksson. Motion passed 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 5:41 p.m.

President, Erik Hellmuth

Treasurer, William Lopez

Vice President, James Eriksson

Secretary, Tammie Sufana