

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

MINUTES FROM THE MEETING SEPTEMBER 26, 2023

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

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

Motion to approve the minutes of August 22, 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 \$18,675.04 as submitted was made by Mr. Lopez, second by Mr. Eriksson. Motion passed 3-0.

Treasurers Report –Mr. Lopez states the current balance is \$1,008,639.41.

MS4 Permit Update-Reggie Korthals attended Indiana Flood Plan meeting last week and some new directions came out. Project plans have to go to IDEM to be reviewed. Detailed land use maps need to be current and part of stormwater master plan, Michael Barry states they were recently updated with the comprehensive plan. All receiving waters have to be identified. New Annual Report forms will be ready at end of 2023, there is not a lot of dialogue more numbers. Industrial permits will be ready at end of year. We need to know the industrial numbers.

Hoosier River watch training on water sampling is coming up.

Once the outfalls are mapped we will do a plan to keep check of them.

Lake Michigan Coastal Grant is due October 6.

Reggie comments she has volunteered for Hawthorne Parks Trunk or Treat on October 20, she has someone who wearing a water drop costume. She is asking for the storm board to provide something stormwater educational and candy to hand out.

Mr. Erikkson made a motion to spend upto \$500.00 on Trunk or Treat Educational items and candy, Mr. Lopez seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

October 26-27 NPS training at Hawthorne Park on stormwater. NSWAG meeting has been moved to November 9, 2023.

Public Comments-

Reports by Michael Barry-Updates-Michael Barry states he received a complaint on Vine St about standing water in ditch where public works did work last year. He will have public works go out and fix this issue.

RFP- Mr. Barry states he sent out to four civil engineering firms to provide a drainage study for the Indian Trails/Woodlawn Acres area. He only received three of them back Abonmarche, Global, and BF&S. BF&S is the highest and not totally responsive to his RFP. After reviewing the other two and asking for clarification, he recommends the Abonmarche proposal at \$42,300 be approved. They will provide a few options for the board to choose.

Mr. Lopez made a motion to approve Abonmarche proposal for Indian Trails/Woodlawn Acres in the amount of \$42,300, Mr. Eriksson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Mr. Lopez asked where are we at with Carlson Corners. Mr. Barry states they should be finished design in the next week and half. He has not heard back from NIPSCO yet. We should be able to approve being set for bid by next meeting.

2023 Small Projects- S. Mineral Springs Rd, 920 Portage Ave, 440 Francis, and repair 23 downtown Porter storm catch basin/inlets/manholes. He sent out requests Gariup only quoted on Mineral Spring but they were way out of line and RV Sutton quoted on them all for a total \$112,000.00. He asked them for a breakdown on each project and we can pick which ones to do. Mr. Barry also spoke with Public Works they will do the asphalt replacement. He is looking to get approved S Mineral Springs Rd at \$17,515.00, 920 Portage Ave \$11,250.00, both Franklin & Francis \$32,000.00 for a total of NTE \$60,765.00.

Mr. Lopez made a motion of NTE \$60,765.00 to repair the four projects, Mr. Eriksson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Old Business-

New Business-Global Task Order 23004 23/24 Manhole & Inlets-they have surveyed a lot but are still missing some culverts and a few inlets. All of these have to go on GIS map for MS4. Outfalls have to be on a map for IDEM. And we are supposed to inspect

20% a year. When we have them all surveyed they will prioritize them by most important. Mr. Barry is going to have them update contract and will bring to next month's meeting.

Board Comments-

Adjournment-Mr. Eriksson made a motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

President. Erik Hellmuth

Treasurer, William Lopez

Vice President, James Eriksson

Secretary, Tammie Sufana