

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

## MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OCTOBER 24, 2023

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

Officers Present-William Lopez, Jim Eriksson and Erik Hellmuth showing up after roll call.

Also, at the meeting was Tammie Sufana, Reggie Korthals, and Michael Barry

Motion to approve the minutes of September 26, 2023 as written was made by Mr. Lopez, second by Mr. Eriksson. Motion passed 2-0.

Motion to approve the accounts payable voucher in the amount of \$2,658.07 as submitted was made by Mr. Lopez, second by Mr. Eriksson.

Motion passed 2-0.

Treasurers Report –Mr. Lopez states the current balance is \$1,040,487.44. Mr. Eriksson accepts report as spoken, Mr. Lopez seconded.

MS4 Permit Update-Reggie Korthals-Boo Bash was an overwhelming success. Next year she would like to do more for stormwater.

NPDS training is here at Hawthorne Thursday and Friday, Town of Porter and Town of Chesterton are the hosts. Thursday is a classroom day and Friday is field work day. She has 20 people signed up. Porter has one individual getting certified and Vic Berry is renewing his certification.

MS4 Annual Report is due in April. We are still waiting on outfall mapping.

Friday, October 27 at 10 a.m. IDEM will be here @ Public works looking at Brickyard site to see if it can be used as a compost site.

Public Comments-

Reports by Michael Barry-Updates-Carlson Corners-bids should be ready for November meeting. He is going to ask bids be good for 90 days that way we have a little time to award construction will not start until 2024.

Waverly/Bailey- might have something ready to look at for putting out to bid by November meeting.

Master plan update-he submitted application to Lake Michigan Coastal Grant for \$30,000 match and was notified we were a finalist. He is looking for approval to submit. Lopez made a motion to approve Mr. Barry moving forward with the Lake Michigan Coastal Grant, Mr. Eriksson seconded.

Motion passed 3-0.

2018 Mr. Barry started a fee study with BSF for stormwater fees being we are not billing consistently the way the ordinance is written. He would like to pull it back out and relook at it and finish it up to try and generate more stormwater revenue.

Old Business-Global Task Order 230004 23/24 Manhole & Inlets split with Sewer-Mr. Lopez made a motion to approve Global Task Order 230004, Mr. Eriksson seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

New Business-Reggie would like to be a part of the Economic Sustainability Commission for the Stormwater Board.

Reggie states last week they had the Quarterly Water Quality Commission meeting and Steve Barker was there from Nipsco. Nipsco is making funds available for communities. She thinks Mr. Barry should meet with him. She states Barker was also talking about what partnerships they go through.

**Board Comments-**

Adjournment-Mr. Lopez 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