



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

Minutes from the Meeting of May 24, 2011

The meeting was opened at 5:05 P.M. with President William Cantrell leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Officers Present - William Cantrell, Dan Colbert and Jon Granat. Also at the meeting were Secretary, Sue Huyser, Director of Engineering, Matt Keiser and Public Works Director, Brenda Brueckheimer.

Motion was made to approve the Feb 22, 2011 minutes as presented by Dan Colbert, second by Jon Granat. Motion Passed 3 – 0 .

Motion to approve the May 1 - 23, 2011 accounts payable vouchers of \$9,421.01 as submitted was made by Jon Granat, second by Dan Colbert. Motion Passed 3 – 0 .

Motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented was made by William Cantrell, second by Jon Granat. Motion Passed 3 – 0.

Public Works Director Brenda Brueckheimer reported she had a request from Mrs. Musik on Sunset to take a look at the drainage issue surrounding her property. Ms. Brueckheimer noted the culverts in place are not compatible with each other and some properties do not have culverts at all. The ditch line is also non-existent in some areas. Brueckheimer requested the Stormwater Board add these issues to the Master Plan due to the entire area of Signature Graphics, Washington St, Sunset through Route 20 has drainage issues.

Ms. Brueckheimer also reported during the week long rains there were 2 drainage issues. Waverly Road experienced water over running the road, these issues are upstream of where the drainage problem was and that area will be addressed when looking at the project involving the park and the railroad. The other issue was at Porter Beach at the residence of Fred Millet of 260 Bote. Ms. Brueckheimer stated the design was not ideal for the situation. There is a storm drain in front of the home with a retention pond to the side of the home. Upstream a home was built and a berm was build along the side of the road causing the storm water to channel down into the front of the home bringing debris which is clogging the

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storm drain. Ms. Brueckheimer asked for approval to spend \$3000.00 to fix the flooding issue by installing a wet well with piping upstream to divert the storm water to the retention pond. Brueckheimer stated being a sand project it could be done by Street Dept. employees. Mr. Keiser asked Mr. Millet if he would be willing to sign an agreement with the town for placing town infrastructure on private property. Mr. Millet agreed stating that it would help him as a home owner to have the pipe installed.

Motion to allow Ms. Brueckheimer to repair the drainage issue on Bote not to exceed \$4,000.00 was made by Jon Granat, second by Dan Colbert. Motion Passed 3 – 0.

Also, Brueckheimer reported there was flooding in the area from Wood St to the Marquette Point subdivision. Run off goes to the East and West from the crown in the road. The west ditch that also serves Carlson Corners and Pearson Rd. has become a dumping ground and the ditch is over grown with vegetation. A quote was received from Owens and Sons to remove trees and re-establish and clean up the ditch line allowing for proper drainage for \$11,700.00. The east ditch that runs behind the homes in Marquette Point does have a catch basin in place at the corner of Marquette and Mineral Springs but the contractor never installed an inlet pipe to the existing storm water line. Brueckheimer also asked for permission to get a quote from a contractor to clean up the ditch and tie the catch basin into the existing storm water line.

Motion was made by Jon Granat to approve Owens and Sons to clean up the ditch at Carlson Corners to Marquette for \$11,700.00, second by Daniel Colbert. Motion Passed 3 – 0.

Motion to allow Brueckheimer to get quotes to tie the catch basin into existing infrastructure to the east was made by Dan Colbert, second by Jon Granat. Motion Passed 3 – 0.

Finally, Ms. Brueckheimer requested permission to purchase fourteen 12” flares to put at the ends of crushed culverts in the area of 20th street. A crew was sent out to jet the culverts to aid in drainage. Blockage consisting of basketballs, footballs and milk jugs and debris were removed from the culverts. Residents missing the driveway have driven over the edges of the culverts crushing the ends blocking these items inside the culvert. Mr. Keiser also stated he would send letters to the respective owners informing them of the 50/50 culvert program assisting in keeping the cost to the Stormwater Board down.

Motion to purchase fourteen 12” flares not to exceed \$2,000.00 was made by Jon Granat, second by Daniel Colbert. Motion Passed 3 – 0.

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Director of Engineering and Redevelopment, Matt Keiser stated he attended the annual MS4 meeting in Indianapolis on May 24th. There was a representative from the EPA that reported there were going to be new required regulations regarding monitoring illicit discharge. Keiser stated that work done by Haas and Associates have already indicated where our out falls are so the only thing that will be needed is an ordinance regarding IDDE monitoring (illicit discharge) and tailor the ordinance to our town. He also mentioned to include the amount in the next five year plan for the storm water drainage improvements.

There was no old business.

Under new business Mr. Keiser addressed the improvements in the Park Ave. / Johnson St. area. In 2008 / 2009 the original project was quoted in two phases; Phase I was completed, but there wasn't enough funding to complete Phase II. The Leady residence on Park Ave has standing water in the yard. Originally this project was quoted with the lowest bid at \$46,800.00 up to the highest bid of \$164,000.00. Keiser received a quote from Apex Excavation for \$26,489.00 to complete the project. Mr. Keiser stated the poor economy has put the town in a good position with lowered costs to complete the job. He asked for approval to move forward with Apex to complete the job.

Motion to allow Apex Excavation at the cost of \$26,489.00 for the Park Ave. / Johnson St Phase II project to be completed was made by Jon Granat, second by Daniel Colbert. Motion Passed 3 – 0.

Also under new business William Cantrell reported that the flooding on Waverly needs to be addressed. There is a culvert at Franklin St. and Ackerman Dr. Ms. Brueckheimer stated there was a culvert there that is collapsed and the ditch needs cleaned out but that is not causing a drainage issue.

Lastly under new business the board considered an application to combine multiple lots for David Read of 318 Roskin Rd. It was identified that all 5 of the lots of record meet the criteria for combining for billing purposes. Jon Granat motioned to approve the David Read combination of lots request, second by Dan Colbert. Vote 3 – 0.

Under public comment, Mr. and Mrs. Millet of 260 Bote made a \$500.00 donation to the Stormwater Board to assist in the drainage projects.

There being no other business before the board, a motion to adjourn was made by Jon Granat, second by Dan Colbert. Motion passed 3 – 0.

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The meeting adjourned at 5:51 P.M.

President, William Cantrell

Vice-President, Jon Granat

Treasurer, Daniel Colbert

Secretary, Sue Huyser