



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

Minutes from the Meeting of March 24, 2009

The meeting was opened at 5:00 P.M. with Brenda Brueckheimer leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

All Officers Present - William Cantrell, Jon Granat, Daniel Colbert.

Also at the meeting were Public Works Director Brenda Brueckheimer, Town Engineer Warren Thiede, and town resident Jennifer Klug.

Motion made to approve the February 24, 2009 minutes as presented by Jon Granat, second by William Cantrell. Motion Passed.

Motion made to approve the Budget Report of March 24, 2009 as presented and pay claims of \$1800.55 by Daniel Colbert, second by Jon Granat. Motion passed.

Public Works Director Brenda Brueckheimer reported that there has been several issues with sink holes and culverts due to the rain. Among these are South Bailey Drive culvert, Waverly Road north of the South Shore, Portage Ave, Quail Ridge Drive, to name a few. North Bailey Drive flooded, this is too big for Town Employees to take on and a request to turn over to Town Engineer to put out for bid was made. Complaints regarding the ERU fee are being taken.

Motion made to have Warren Thiede make emergency repair engineering plans and put out for bid work on the Baily project by Jon Granat, second by William Cantrell. Motion passed.

It was noted that there is a dire need to address and fix issues for Jean Baptiste on the Master Plan. Bailey Town is also a serious issue.

Susie is working on oddball lots for the MS4 fee.

ERU's for Worthington Steel are down to the minimum, roughly 22.5 ERU's

Warren Thiede is working on the wording for a modified fee schedule for the next Board Meeting.

April 23, 2009 is the Annual MS4 meeting in Noblesville, IN. It is recommended that somebody should attend.

Motion as made to have Brenda Brueckheimer sign up herself and Daniel Colbert for the April 24 Annual MS4 meeting and will reimburse her through our funds by Daniel Colbert, second by Jon Garnat. Motion passed.

Warren Thiede will work on stand alone lot issues.

Bill Sexton, 419 Franklin Street expressed his thanks to Brenda for the sandbag wall at the alley behind his property. The floor in the garage is breaking due to the water running into his property. He does not want us to forget about the problem of the alley behind him being higher than the lot.

There is a need to set up an educational program to comply with MS4 requirements. The possibility of setting up at the Dunes Visitor Center is being considered. Also the possibility of sending out with the billing. A partnership with the Town of Chesterton on public outreach as Porter County should also be investigated.

A notice of lawsuit was received by the Board and has been turned over to the Town Attorney.

Art Hill, speaking on behalf of the homeowner of 931 W. Park Ave, presented photos of the property showing flooding. The property has no swale to direct water from the property. There is a ditch in the rear of the property that has little water in it. The area of the property is on the Master Plan.

Another resident complained about the flooding from the heavy rains, and commented that the culverts are undersized and are in need of cleaning.

Funding was discussed, as was the lack of. Grant monies from Lake Michigan Coastal as well as adjusting the monthly fee charged to residents will have to be addresses in order to fund projects.

There being no other business before the board, a motion to adjourn was made by Jon Granat, second by William Cantrell. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:25 P.M. The next meeting will be at 5 P.M. at the Town Hall on April 28, 2009

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William Cantrell

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