

**Stormwater Management Board  
Town of Porter, Indiana  
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**Minutes From The Workshop Held On May 23, 2006**

Board President Stephen Rohe called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. President Rohe then led those in attendance in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present was Board Vice President Ed Pilarski. Board Secretary Trudi Gallagher was excused from the workshop. Others present at the workshop were Mr. Karl Bauer, Town of Porter Public Works Director, Ms. Lorelle Weimer, Porter County Visitor and Recreation Center Director and Ms. Christine Livingston, Watershed Coordinator of the Save the Dunes Conservation Fund.

The purpose of the workshop was to discuss the proposed stormwater enhancements to the new Porter County Visitor and Recreation Center which is to be located on the southeast corner of the intersection at Indiana State Road 49 and U.S. Highway 20 within the Town of Porter. Munson Road is the southern most boundary for the site.

Mr. Bauer began the workshop by reporting that the Public Works Department will begin staking the property owned by Ms. Cathy Gillotti in order to begin stormwater drainage improvements to the neighborhood along Johnson Street within the Town of Porter. Mr. Bauer then reported that the Town of Porter's 1st Annual MS4 Program Report is ready for submission to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM). Mr. Bauer further reported that the Public Works Department and Mr. Heshem Khalil, Town of Porter Engineer, will be inspecting the entire length of Munson Ditch sometime during the middle of June of 2006 in order to ascertain any additional stormwater related improvements to the ditch.

Ms. Weimer and Ms. Livingston then discussed the proposed stormwater related improvements to the original site plan for the Porter County Visitor and Recreation Center. The original site plan had been previously approved by the Town of Porter. The proposed improvements to the site plan are to be presented to the Town of Porter's Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) for approval. The improvements are for enhancing stormwater treatment at the site. These improvements include the addition of two (2) vegetated swales on each side of the Visitor Center's east and west parking lots, the creation of a rain garden, a larger detention pond and a two (2) stage ditch design for Munson Ditch located to the front of the site. Attached to these minutes are copies of the proposed stormwater handling improvements to the Porter County Visitor and Recreation Center's original site plan and a brochure discussing the Dunes Creek Watershed Management Plan as developed by the Save the Dunes Conservation Fund.

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After the presentation, President Rohe opened the workshop for further discussion or comment from the members of the board or from those present at the meeting. There was no further comment.

President Rohe adjourned the workshop meeting at 5:40 p.m. The next meeting of the board is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. at the Porter Town Hall on Tuesday, June 27, 2006.

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Stephen A. Rohe  
President

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Edward J. Pilarski  
Vice President

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Trudi Gallagher  
Secretary