

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

ZOOM MEETING

MINUTES FROM THE MEETING January 26, 2021

The meeting opened at 5:00 pm with President William Lopez leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Officers Present-William Lopez, Jim Eriksson, and Erik Hellmuth. Also, at the meeting were Mike Barry, Tammie Sufana.

Appointment of Officers-President Mr. Eriksson made a motion to appointment Mr. Lopez as President, Mr. Hellmuth seconded.

Motion passed 3-0 roll call vote.

Vice-President-Mr. Lopez made a motion to appoint Mr. Eriksson as Vice-President, Mr. Hellmuth seconded.

Motion passed 3-0 roll call vote.

Treasurer-Mr. Eriksson made a motion to appoint Mr. Hellmuth as Treasurer, Mr. Lopez seconded.

Motion passed 3-0 roll call vote.

Secretary-Mr. Lopez made a motion to appoint Ms. Sufana as Secretary, Mr. Eriksson seconded.

Motion passed 3-0 roll call vote.

Motion to approve the minutes of September 22, 2020 as written was made by Mr. Eriksson, second by Mr. Lopez.

Motion passed 2-0. Mr. Hellmuth abstained being he was not at last meeting.

Motion to approve the account payable voucher in the amount of \$17,479.03 as submitted was made by Mr.Eriksson, second by Mr. Hellmuth. Motion passed 3-0 roll call vote.

Treasurers Report – Current balance \$728,815.39.

Reports by Michael Barry-Updates-Carlson Corners, he has easement documents he needs to send to three residents. Checking with attorney to see if they need any adjustments.

He also updated Mr. Hellmuth on the project.

Knoelke & Waverly-Mike and Mr. Theide, from Haas & Associates, met with the builder/developer who purchased the property (14 Lots). They have somewhat of a game plan on how to fix drainage problem, Part of work will have builder do when doing the houses. Mr. Barry has a task order from Haas he just received today and will get it out quickly.

NICTD-we are scraping idea of running a new drainage pipe to tracks and replacing by running a pipe upto Bailly Dr into a ditch. He is working with NICTD to fix drainage issue by tracks with the new double track work.

Duneland Dr.- Mr. Barry wants to know if we put out for quotes again or split into two projects so that we get more quotes. After much discussing, they recommend to just requote the whole project.

Mr. Eriksson made a motion to requote as originally written, Mr. Hellmuth seconded. Motion passed 3-0 roll call vote.

Mr. Barry states the backhoe is repaired and the intent is to do culvert and ditch work in the spring.

Mr. Barry will be getting with Mr. Theide and Ms. Olson on work on Master Plan for what projects need to be done.

Old Business-NONE

New Business-Consultants Contracts

Butler, Fairman, & Seufert, Haas & Associates, Global Engineering & Land Surveying, Mr. Eriksson made a motion to approve the contracts as written, Mr. Hellmuth seconded.

Motion passed 3-0 roll call vote.

Global Task Order No. 20001.01 for Manhole & Inlet GPS Locates-this task order is to finish the GIS map not to exceed \$20,000 for stormboard.

Mr. Eriksson made a motion to not to exceed \$20,000, Mr. Hellmuth seconded. Motion passed 3-0 roll call vote.

Public Comments-Reggie Korthals, BF&S, there is a new bill in the Senate bill 389. What this bill will do is eliminate all state regulations on isolated wetlands. It will drastically change the way surveyors look at wetlands in ag areas and what contractors are going to have to do. If it becomes law, individual municipalities will have to make ordinances. It is a bill to cut down on funding and creating more buildings, less work for IDEM.

MS4-She has asked IDEM to extend the public comment program 60 more day and she got two weeks. They have until February 8 for public comment. There is significant impacts on this new permit. One item is a yearly assessment of all storm water conveyance systems. Combining public education and public outreach, she and Victor Berry are going to work with the Park department to come up with some ideas. Also, make sure website has MS4 information on it and updated. Once the permit is issued on April 1 you will have 90 days to submit your NOI, then you will have a year to update master plan. New permits will be 100 % submitted electronically and put into files electronically.

Here goal is to keep us informed on MS4 items.

Jennifer Klug, 200 Franklin St, she was wondering if there is a possibility to have a draft of the meeting minutes on the town website before the meeting for residents to see what is going on in the town.

Mr. Eriksson made a motion to approve to have a copy of the draft minutes on the website a week before the next meeting, Mr. Hellmuth seconded.

Motion passed 3-0 roll call vote.

Mr. Lopez and Mr. Eriksson welcome Mr. Hellmuth to the board looking forward to working together.

Adjournment-Mr. Hellmuth made a motion to adjourn, second by Mr. Eriksson. Motion passed 3-0 roll call vote.

Meeting adjourned at 5:49 p.m.

President, William Lopez

Treasurer, Erik Hellmuth

Vice President, James Eriksson

Secretary, Tammie Sufana