

MINUTES
Stormwater Board Meeting
Thursday, September 8, 2016
5:30 PM

- **Call to Order**
 - Matt Lake called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

- **Pledge of Allegiance**

- **Roll Call**
 - President Matt Lake, Vice-President Tom Cartwright and Secretary David Shilling were all present. Also present in the room were councilmen Farrellbegg, Corns and Salatas. MS4 Coordinator Greg White, Town Manager Jeff Sheridan and Building Administrator Carl Ferro.

- **Approval of Minutes**
 - David Shilling made a motion to accept the June 2nd, 2016 Minutes. Motion was seconded by Tom Cartwright. Passed 3-0

- **Old Business**
 - **2016 Budget**

The board reviewed the August Stormwater Budget Appropriations report, verified that the budget has a remainder of \$199,853.62 and took no further action.

 - **McConnell Ditch at 171st Ave**

Greg White reported that The Town had a kick-off meeting with Robinson Engineering and is expecting a first draft on the engineering by mid-October.

 - **Griesel Ditch Lateral 14 (FKA Spring Run Ditch Lateral 13)**

A letter was presented from the Lake County Surveyor stating that nothing could be done until 2017, and asked for a conversation concerning cost-sharing on the project. The board agreed to have a conversation about cost-sharing, and acknowledged that there may be legal issues with the location of the ditch falling completely outside the Town boundary, regardless of the flooding and damage it causes inside the boundary. Matt lake asked Greg white to begin gathering estimates of work and cost to inspect/design/insure that the culvert under the road is adequate size and condition.



- **New Business**

- **Discussion concerning August 15th Flooding event**

- Flooding Hot Spots – Greg White updated the Board on Flooding hot spots around town during the event and how the Town Staff was working with the public to resolve the issues both during and post rain
- Jeff Sheridan stated for the record that he has fielded about 10-12 complaints since August 15th concerning flooding and drainage
- Matt Lake stated that he met with a concerned citizen at 795 Surrey Drive. The citizen had septic backup in her home during the August 15th flood. Greg white commented on the situation and presented a short term plan to analyze the project. Greg stated that, despite Facebook rumors of a failing lift station in the sanitary system in the area, All lift stations worked throughout the event and none failed. The lift stations did reach capacity which set off the lights and alarms but there were no failures. Matt Lake stated that the capacity of the sanitary system is due to Infiltration and Inundation, not only from the Town of Lowell system, but also from the Cedar Lake System because their sewage flows through Lowell first before it gets to the WWTP. Greg White presented a short term plan to analyze the system in Carriage Crossing Subdivision
 - Retention Pond Analysis
 - Televiser sanitary system, look for cross connection including down spout and sump pump connections
 - Televiser storm system, look for cross connection, as well as illicit connections to downspouts and sump pumps
 - Identify pond ownership and responsibilities and move forward with a reasonable plan to ensure that ponds are compliant with ordinances
 - Report progress at an October Joint Stormwater Board/Council work session
 - Work with engineers on future planning to ensure/improve storm drainage and retention is compensated for during future development

- **GIS Updates**

Greg white reported that the town administration is considering the 39* North company to build an inward facing online mapping system to be used internally both in house and in the field to collect data, research locations and compile information to make decisions. He stated that 39* N is willing to make a presentation to the Council/Stormwater board. Greg committed to setting up the presentation. He also stated the 39* N is willing to start building the map in 2016 in good faith without contracting with the Town until 2017. The board agreed that they were looking forward to seeing the product in action.

- **NISWAG Updates**

Matt Lake updated the board on NISWAG upcoming and ongoing events.

- **Public Comment**

Matt Lake called for Public Comment.

Edgar Corns commented adamantly that for 3 years he has been asking/telling the board that something has to be done about the drainage system along Harrison Street, behind the cemetery and behind Carl's House. He said the situation is deplorable, and people's sewers are being washed away. He stated that the commander of the American Legion wants this fixed as soon as possible.

Councilman Christopher Salatas stated that there is a possibility of a future project along Harrison Street that could incorporate needed Stormwater infrastructure to alleviate drainage issues in the area.

Matt Lake directed Greg White to look into and to estimate the easement, which would be step 1 of the process.

- **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn made by Matt Lake called for a motion to adjours at 5:55 P.M. motioned by Tom Cartwright, Seconded by Dave Shilling. Carried 3-0

Matt Lake, President

David Shilling, Secretary

Date: Thursday, November 3, 2016

