



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

MINUTES FROM THE MEETING MARCH 26, 2024

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

Officers Present-William Lopez and Mitch Reynolds.

Also, at the meeting was Tammie Sufana, Michael Barry, and Reggie Korthals.

Motion to approve the minutes of February 27, 2024 as written was made by Mr. Reynolds, second by Mr. Lopez.

Motion passed 2-0.

Motion to approve the accounts payable voucher in the amount of \$16,442.27 as submitted was made by Mr. Reynolds, second by Mr. Lopez.

Motion passed 2-0.

Treasurers Report –Mr. Reynolds states the current balance is \$964,616.05.

MS4 Permit Update-Reggie Korthals states that we are in process of completing submittal of annual report 2023. What this does is sets us in motion to go back and look at stormwater master plan, and best management practices we have in there and make sure we have in correct order. And to make sure we are working with public works so they are doing the tasks we need done. Beginning April 1 there is a whole new set of audits. As IDEM ask for numbers they are asking for how we document. The annual report gives you an outline of what IDEM wants. They are going to look for item update on MS4 permit and they will tier based on population and connectivity to waters of US and could possibly change what you are going to do.

Reggie Korthals comments the Annual meeting for MS4 is May 13-14 in Plainfield.

Mike Barry states we have 2 employees that are MSD Certified. He is in process of making a list on what they are supposed to do and not do. They were doing it and they just stopped but it needs to be done.

Public Comments-Ginger Potter, 850 Quail Ridge Dr, has a request for a follow up from 2016 on her property. Many years ago they thought it was a sink hole. They found

infrastructure of unknown. As a temporary fix Public Works elevated a drain she found that was 8 inches to one foot below soil level. Public Works put a riser on it with a manhole cover. There has not been any problems since and now she is asking that it be possible to put it back the way it was a have a French drain put back. Mr. Barry states he will add the pipe area to the task order to have it looked at and see if it is necessary. He thinks there is something wrong with it.

Reports by Michael Barry-Updates-Mr. Barry states Waverly/Bailey project the date is set for bidding. Advertising is April 2 and 9 we will miss the April meeting probably the May meeting and we will see what it will cost.

Carlson Corners-he has met with Nipsco at Carlson Corners too many times and they have set the dates to move the lines.

East Oak Hill-there are culverts that plug up. He would like to get someone to look at. He will have public works first try jetting them and if not they might need to be replaced.

West Burwell-at the end of the street water is not draining. The last two driveways have no swales. There is nothing there it is flat. We might be able to have Public Works do depending on gas lines.

Old Business-NONE

New Business-Great Lakes Engineering Task Order No 24-1 for Hwy 20, Oak Hill Rd drainage basin study NTE \$6,500.00. Mr. Barry is going to ask about having 850 Quail Ridge added also.

Mr. Reynolds made a motion to approve Great Lakes Task Order No. 24-1, Mr. Lopez made the second.

Motion approved 2-0.

Mr. Barry states that in 2018 we were re-examining stormwater fees with BFS. Haas created system when we started. BFS sent in a new task order to get this completed. Once he looks at it he will send it out for you to look at.

Reggie Korthals mentioned she received a call from who is doing the Fourth of July Fest and they ask for Stormwater to be a part of it.

Board Comments-

Adjournment-Mr. Reynolds a motion to adjourn, Mr. Lopez seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

William Lopez, President

Erik Hellmuth, Vice-President

Mitch Reynolds, Treasurer

Tammie Sufana, Recording Secretary