

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

## MINUTES FROM THE MEETING APRIL 22, 2025

The meeting opened at 5:00 pm with Erik Hellmuth leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Officers Present-William Lopez, Mitch Reynolds, and Erik Hellmuth. Also, at the meeting was Tammie Sufana and Michael Barry.

Motion to approve the minutes of January 28, 2025 as written was made by Mr. Reynolds, second by Mr. Lopez. Motion passed 3-0.

Motion to approve the accounts payable voucher in the amount of \$8,229.18 as submitted was made by Mr. Lopez, second by Mr. Reynolds. Motion passed 3-0.

Treasurers Report –Mr. Reynolds states the current balance is \$1,092,531.22.

MS4 Permit Update-Megan Bolyard mentions they are still working on quarterly inspections at public works and park department. They have not any new deficiencies. The IDD training will be starting soon. They are also going to work on dry weather screening educating at Public Works on how it is to be done.

## Public Comments-NONE

Reports by Michael Barry-Mr. Barry mentions he received the new contract from BFS and had it approved by attorney. Last years contract went in to effective May 2, this contract will go from May 3 until the end of year, to put us back on track. All Tasks are listed in the back. We are looking to update town standards that is dated back to 2006, it is very outdated and very old. They will make it more digital than paper. He also mentions that we have never hit the fees since we have been working with them. Mr. Lopez made a motion to approve the BF&S contract, Mr. Reynolds made the second. Motion passed 3-0.

GIS-Mr. Barry mentions that we have been working on it. He comments that we need to update our stormwater ordinance before we can make any changes or corrections in the billing.

North Bailey-Change Order #2- Mr. Barry has received change order #2 from Dyer. This change order is a result of the redesign for the drainage work between Stations 14+75 to 20+75. The difference is a decrease of 497.17 from original price. Mr. Barry also mentions he should have final easement done Wednesday, April 23 hopefully. He had a meeting with Nipsco last week and they called locates in today, so maybe we are moving forward. Mr. Hellmuth mentions better design and better maintenance.

Mr. Reynolds made a motion to approve Change Order #2, Mr. Lopez made the second. Motion passed 3-0.

Carlson Corners-Mr. Barry mentions he has a drawing of the area they are still putting together bid documents. It will be all concrete pipe all the way across. They will be sending a task order for right of way so he can tell residents to move their stuff that is in the right of way.

Old Business-Great Lakes Engineering/Schneider Geomatics Contract-Mr. Barry mentions we signed a contract with Great Lakes Engineering on January 28, 2025. On January 31, 2025 GLE and Schneider Engineering Corp d/b/a Schneider Geomatics entered into an agreement of contracts. So, we have a new contract with same provisions of the old contract just with the new name.

Mr. Lopez made a motion to approve the Schneider Geomatics contract, Mr. Reynolds made the second. Motion passed 3-0.

New Business-3 Combine Lots request-Mrs. Sufana mentions she has three combine lot requests.

- 1. Donna Seng, 1400 Wagner Rd, combined two lots to one lot at Porter County. Mr. Lopez made a motion to approve Seng combine lot request effective with May Bill, Mr. Reynolds seconded. Motion passed 3-0.
- 2. Raymond Cahnman, 3030 Dearborn St, combined three lots to one lot at Porter County. Mr. Barry mentions this had to be done for the rebuild of the house. Mr. Reynolds made a motion to approve Cahnman combine lot request effective with May Bill, Mr. Lopez seconded. Motion passed 3-0.
- 3. Jennifer Poparad, 1130 Old Porter Rd, combined two lots to one lot at Porter County. Mr. Lopez made a motion to approve Poparad combine lot request effective with May Bill, Mr. Reynolds seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Small projects bid request-Mr. Barry mentions he would like to put 5 small projects out for bid. 20<sup>th</sup> St drainage, 1<sup>st</sup> St-culverts don't work, Hunters Glen adding stand up pipe poorly built & designed, Vine St fixing resident ditch, W Burwell yard drain pipe to ditch. He would like to price it out and see which ones to do then maybe do a special

assessment to residents for repairs but that would have to be a Town Council approval. If we put out for bid and then pick and choose which to do first.

Mr. Reynolds made a motion to approve the small project bid request, Mr. Lopez seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

**Board Comments-**

Adjournment-Mr. Reynolds made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

William Lopez, Vice-President Mitch Reynolds, Treasurer

Tammie Sufana, Recording Secretary