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BOARD MEMBERS

Scott Long Nick Ferry Brandon France Douglas Lehman, Esq.

STORMWATER BOARD MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2014

Members present were Scott Long and Brandon France

Department heads present: Rick Price, Assistants Regina Sundheimer and Angie Schlemmer.

Board President Scott Long called the Stormwater Board meeting to order.

MINUTES

Scott Long moved to approve the Minutes as presented. Brandon France seconded the motion, motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial Report balance is \$2,314,377.67 for the period ending November 30, 2014.

Brandon France made a motion to accept the financial reports. Scott Long seconded the motion, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Updates from Brandon France (IAWC)-No updates
- 2. Updates from Rick Price (Wastewater Department) Three stormwater projects (surfaced due to stormwater problems) since the last meeting. 1. Behind Bechtol grocery-A simple fix. Two residents were flooded out and in the process discovered a storm drain that was covered over for a long time and that really resolved the problem. 2. A resident (Miracle) over on Congress Street. We have a 24" storm line that, unfortunately, he built an addition to his house over the top of the City storm line and it's nearing completion. We've rerouted it and have an easement that will allow us to get in and maintain it.

We put in two new manholes; completely abandoned that section of storm line and it should work a lot better. This was in an area of Congress Street, which is, basically, a belly, or a "low" spot. This

area collected a huge volume of storm water. We acted under an emergency because if we would have received greater than a half-inch of rainfall, in a short period, it could have easily been at their front door. John Stephens got the initial call and notified us. 3. A project we have not started yet, but has surfaced, is located at 1165 Cambridge, we have another 24" storm line. The resident (Yentes) called of sinkholes in her backyard. Upon investigation (used our equipment and camera) it was discovered Metronet did a real number when installing fiber optic, or some hi-tech cable. It's broken into pieces and it will be a difficult repair due to a pole and the location of different utilities. Eads has been hired; it will be a tricky repair.

Lastly, our CSOs have not been paid for yet. We have three CSOs that are not on lift stations; they're just an overflow point in the City: On Cass, Smith and there are two up on N. Miami that are located side-by-side and then Lockerbee. IDEM has mandated us to record overflow at all times. We have installed flow meters and are hooking it up to our plant computer system. It is a very expensive project and is nearing completion.

Brandon asked when they'd be separated. Rick stated "2021" is when we're supposed to be done and we're right on schedule.

Scott asked what's after Alber Street? Rick replied, it is split in half-there's with some of the separation in the area where General Tire used to be, Ferry Street, and around Wendt's location. The storm is in good shape there, particularly on Bond. We will be going down some of the side streets and then we will go back over on Broadmoor.

Rick also said he had his first Stormwater IDEM CSO audit. We were audited by two people from IDEM and we passed with flying colors. The City of Wabash is ahead of everyone else.

3. Updates from Regina Sundheimer (Wastewater Billing). Regina stated that for the November billing about 600 reads had to be hand entered. IAW read the meters out of the normal schedule due to holidays causing combined reads to be downloaded. We (Angie and Regina) completed training for the ACH with Keystone and Crossroads Bank. The ACH will start on the January 18, 2015 billing. It was necessary to purchase a module to handle the ACH withdrawals. Scott asked how the customers were notified. Regina replied the update was printed on the bottom of the customer's statement.

OTHER BUSINESS

Brandon informed the Board that Jim Henson is leaving IAW. He's going to operate a small utility company. It is an engineering firm but they run a utility.

QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None

ADJOURN

Scott Long made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Brandon France seconded, motion carried.

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, February 17, 2015 @ 5 pm

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