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Department of Stormwater Management

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BOARD MEMBERS

Doug Adams Nick Ferry Ryan Smith Randy Zimmerman

STORMWATER BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 20, 2016

Members present: Doug Adams, Nick Ferry, City Attorney Randi Zimmerman

Members absent: Ryan Smith

Department heads present: Scott Richardson, Bob Gray

Wastewater Utility Office: Angie Monroe

Board President Nick Ferry called the Stormwater Board meeting to order.

MINUTES

Nick Ferry presented the minutes of the February 16, 2016 and asked if there were any questions. Nick Ferry moved to accept the Minutes as presented. Doug Adams seconded the motion, motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial report balance is \$ 1,633,167.73 for the period ending August 2016. Nick Ferry (Board President) questioned if any payments were submitted to the state for the Alber Street project? Scott Richardson (Street Department Superintendent) stated they are submitting monthly claims for GAI Consultants and DLZ. The larger claims were paid last spring because they had to be paid prior to construction. Randi Zimmerman (City Attorney) asked if the claims paid were to DLZ? Scott Richardson (Street Department Superintendent) stated the claims were paid to INDOT December 2015. Doug Adams questioned where the money comes from to pay the claims? Bob Gray (Wastewater Superintendent) explained the money comes from the storm water utility fee that is billed on the monthly wastewater bills.

Nick Ferry moved to accept the financial report as presented; Doug Adams seconded the motion, the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Updates from Scott Richardson, Street Department: The project on Hale Dr.; the pipes have been changed back to original size. We don't have the asphalt down but everything else is complete. We replaced two culverts on East Hill Street. We set a structure and ran a pipe on Colerain Street. Last week we set two structures on Falls Ave. and connected them to the storm line. Alber Street is on schedule and should be finished next month. Alber Street has been a long project with a lot of complaints. There is a machine that will come into set curbs. Once they get the curbs in, we'll have to decide what kind of approaches to form. There are a few soft spots they need dug out and secured. All of the structures are in the ground. The pipes are all hooked together.

Doug Adams asked if the catch basin at Falls Ave. and Seminole are brick. Scott Richardson replied they are and was replaced with preformed brick because the old ones were collapsing. Nick Ferry (Board President) asked if there were any sink holes from all of the rain we received in 2016. Scott Richardson stated nothing like last year. Nick Ferry commented that he noticed the standing water on Stitt Street by Falls Ave. He wanted to know if there were any complaints received. Bob Gray (Wastewater Superintendent) stated there are always complaints. He said if there is water that stands in certain areas, they inspect it. If it's something that can be addressed, they take care of it. Bob Gray (Wastewater Superintendent said part of the problem is people don't understand when we receive rapid rain fall, it's comparable to pouring a 2-quart container through a straw. The straw will take everything it can and the rest will set there until it stops pouring. Eventually, it will all drain. We try to educate people.

2. Updates from Bob Gray, Waste Water Treatment Plant: We are making a lot of progress. Part of it is long term control plan and sewer-storm separation. The headworks project is basically down to punch list items. There will be a final inspection and then we'll release the rest of their money. It seems to be working and doing its job. It's taking the trash out. We are rolling into Phase-Two of the City's long term control plan, but currently doing a rate study. We have a meeting tomorrow morning and then a presentation from Umbaugh to the council Monday night. We thought the project was going to cost 6-7 million dollars but, it looks like it's going to come in at 4.5 million dollars. We eliminated some projects after some field investigations. We think we have a pretty good plan for Phase-Two. There will be two more phases after that, due to be completed by 2025. There will be a two-year monitoring period that will take place to monitor the money that was spent and how much it actually accomplished. A lot of MS4 projects have started up since February. South Point development completed Phase-Three. They all have the pipe in the ground. The stormwater utility handles all the payments for the erosion control plan we use by United Consulting. Currently we are working on the Brown Trucking site. Troxal is finishing their work there. Charley Creek Trail is pretty much finished where they put the parking lot in behind the chiropractor's office. Brown trucking is currently under development for an office complex. There's a new housing development on Manchester Ave. that is in the design phase. There will be a new lift station for the city and another retention pond. There's also construction on Chippewa place which, is another MS4 project. There's about a half dozen new projects that have taken place since the last storm board meeting. So, if you start seeing charges from United in regards to review of erosion control a plan, that's where it will be coming from.

Parkview broke ground. They are currently moving dirt around. I think there was some money made available to restructure Wabash Street. Scott Richard (Street Department Superintendent) stated they turned it in as a 2.5 million grant. This was on the higher end. Nick Ferry asked if Parkview has their retention ponds and lift station approved. Bob Gray stated it was approved and was over sized to help with the flooding on the north end of Miami street. They are hoping when its finished they will be able to tell how it handles the water after the next huge rain fall.

3. Updates from Angie Monroe, Wastewater Billing Office: The billing office has moved. Everything is running great. Our customer response seems to be positive. We appreciate having another person to help with phone calls and payments.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

ADJOURN

Nick Ferry moved to adjourn the meeting; Doug Adams seconded the motion, the motion carried.

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, December 20, 2016 @ 5 pm

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