

STORM WATER COMMITTEE MINUTES
MARCH 7, 2023

The Storm Water Committee meeting was held on March 7, 2023 at North Royalton City Hall, 14600 State Road. The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

PRESENT: **Committee Members:** Chair Linda Barath, Vice Chair John Nickell, Mike Vos; **Council:** Paul Marnecheck, Joanne Krejci, Jeremy Dietrich; **Administration:** Mayor Larry Antoskiewicz, City Engineer Justin Haselton, Law Director Tom Kelly, Service Director Nick Cinquepalmi; **Other:** Vincent Weimer, Heidi Michalske, Ray Michalske, Joel Spatz.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of February 7, 2023 Storm Water Committee minutes. Moved by Ms. Barath, seconded by Mr. Nickell. Vote: Yeas: 3 Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Storm Water/Infrastructure Maintenance Monthly Report

See report.

2. Maintenance Projects

No update.

3. Turnpike Mitigation

Mr. Haselton indicated that ODOT (Ohio Department of Transportation) has all that they need from us and construction is still scheduled for next year. Ms. Barath asked for more details. Mr. Haselton clarified that the area is by the Turnpike and York Road; a ditch that we will be working on by the ball fields.

4. York Road Property

Mr. Kelly advised that we were just informed that the final piece is likely to fall. The surviving attorney for Mrs. Key has indicated that he now has her authority to agree to the appraised amount; they will be signing the entry. However, he is going to apply to the court for permission, to try and wrap the whole project up on one entry; meaning, not only the appraised sum, but also the distribution to all of the other family members. That would close out the case entirely for the court, which may be attractive to the judge. Therefore, there may be some delay yet. However, we think that we have made some progress, to the point that we expect it within a reasonable period of time; he went on to say that we should have the title of the property.

Ms. Krejci questioned the total cost of this piece of property. Mr. Kelly recapped that the amount was roughly \$26,000. Ms. Krejci commented that all of this was for roughly, \$1,000 per person. Mr. Kelly concurred, some of the individual heirs will be receiving very little, however, most of them were cooperative. Mr. Nickell added comment, for an unbuildable lot.

5. Cleaning the Mains

No update.

6. Amending 1481.08 – Storm Water Management

Mayor Antoskiewicz brought up the ‘every three years’ language had been eliminated. He believed that it conveyed what he wished to do. He was not sure that we needed to eliminate the three years. What he was trying to convey is, if within the three years you applied again, you would still be eligible to get funds. His

interpretation was that, technically, every year the same HOA can apply and get it right away. Ms. Barath wanted to clarify if the Mayor wanted it available every year. Mayor Antoskiewicz believed the three years was implemented with the understanding that, perhaps you get enough projects, you do not want to eliminate; you do not want to not give it to an HOA that has not had it.

Mr. Nickell requested more clarity. He inquired whether it means that by August 1st, if there are still funds, someone who may have gotten approved in the beginning of that year, could apply for the remaining funds. Mayor Antoskiewicz agreed. He continued that, however, when you eliminate the three years, the same HOA could apply every single year. Under this, they would be eligible to get it right away, with the way this language is written.

Mr. Marnecheck suggested changing the wording 'priority will be given to applicants who haven't received funds in the last three years.' Mayor Antoskiewicz concurred. He felt that we need to keep the terms three years. Mr. Marnecheck suggested still letting them apply, however, not having highest priority; they must wait until the second round. The Mayor agreed. He just did not want to eliminate the three years; it should be there just in case. He would hate to see an HOA get it every year, and then someone apply and cannot get it because there is no money. He felt the reason for the three years was just that. The numbers show that we have never used all of the funds, however, that does not mean that we wouldn't.

Ms. Krejci wondered how we could manage it so that we hang on to the forms; and if there are still some funds available. Mayor Antoskiewicz indicated that they can apply. He went on to say that Mr. Haselton approves these, and not until August to see if there are still funds. They have to wait until August to find out. Mr. Nickell questioned who wanted the change. Mayor Antoskiewicz clarified that he wanted it changed. Ms. Barath understood why they eliminated that line: "Shall be eligible to apply for grant funding only once every three years". She felt that it can be confusing.

Mayor Antoskiewicz explained that he does not mind if they apply every year, however, they cannot obtain it. You get it once every three years, unless there are funds still available. As discussion ensued regarding ideas for wording, Mayor Antoskiewicz was not sure we only need to make it three years; because it basically says that an HOA could apply every single year. Mr. Kelly agreed. The Mayor's idea was that, he did not want the three years to hinder them from getting money on a project again, if it was within the three years; if there was still money available. He noted that if no one has a problem, we would just have everyone apply every year.

Mr. Marnecheck asked who the money is paid to, the contractor or the property owners. Mayor Antoskiewicz indicated it is paid to the HOA; or the property owner. They would submit to Mr. Haselton, and they would have to submit the paperwork when it is done; it is reimbursed. We are not going to do anything until the project has been completed and paid for. He noted that the HOA's usually have the funds.

Ms. Krejci agreed that the wording is a little confusing. It was mentioned that the amount was \$7,000 per property in a calendar year, while discussing the limit. Mr. Marnecheck commented that if someone applies and receives \$7,000 the first time, they are done for the year. Mayor Antoskiewicz agreed; they would be done for three years. As discussion ensued, Ms. Krejci mentioned the goal is that we want to use up the money that we have designated for this every year. There are people that could meet the qualifications and use the money. Mayor Antoskiewicz did not want to discourage people from doing projects. Mr. Nickell questioned the projected cost of projects. Mayor Antoskiewicz talked about how costs vary depending on the project. Mr. Marnecheck shared the idea of limiting it to \$7,000 per project. The way this is written, if someone gets \$7,000 in the first round, they are not eligible in the second round; again, they are done for the year. He went on to say if we have money left over, wouldn't we want to encourage them to do a second project. Mayor Antoskiewicz agreed. He reiterated that he does not believe you are going to get more than one project in a year. Mr. Marnecheck pointed out that you may have an HOA. If there is money available, perhaps they decide to move up a project; we are saying, we will give you 25% off. Mayor Antoskiewicz indicated, however, then they can apply the next year and get it. Mr. Marnecheck noted, in this way they get it a year earlier. Mayor Antoskiewicz commented that usually these things are planned in such a way that you are not just going to get someone out

there and plan it and do it. It could happen, however, generally the HOA's will not do more than one project a year. Mr. Marnecheck asked if there is money left over, to let them, if they have \$7,000 the first time and they want to do a smaller project later in the year. He expressed, why not let them apply again. Mayor Antoskiewicz stated that they can always apply again. Mr. Marnecheck noted, not in the same year though. Mayor Antoskiewicz clarified that they can according to this language. Mr. Marnecheck disagreed, because they would not be a qualified applicant. Mayor Antoskiewicz added, if they use their \$7,000 right. Mr. Marnecheck agreed, therefore that second time, they are waiting a whole year. Mayor Antoskiewicz was unsure if he would want to take a cap off of it. Mr. Marnecheck pointed out that it is \$7,000 per project. Mr. Nickell spoke hypothetically, if we would give them another \$3,000, for a total of \$10,000 for instance. Mr. Marnecheck agreed. He reiterated there might be a second project that they are able to do. Ms. Barath added that you have \$7,000 per property owner. Mr. Marnecheck advised that the Law Department would have to change that too, however we never had it where you could apply twice in a year.

Mr. Kelly explained that the property owner, in this instance, is the HOA and they are dealing with common property. Therefore, it is not a question of an individual condominium unit owner making an application. The application is made by the HOA on behalf of the common's property owners. Mr. Marnecheck reiterated that if we have money left over, perhaps change that to encourage more usage and projects, since we are not talking about letting the same property owners apply more than once per year; we did not have that before. Mayor Antoskiewicz felt that may never come into play. His biggest concern is the way it is written; you can only apply once every three years. He is merely trying to accomplish that within those three years, you can apply again. Mr. Kelly agreed to take another look at this. He would like to have some understanding and inquired if there a consensus on whether or not a successful applicant is able to apply for another project in the same year.

Ms. Barath pointed out that she did not want to go back to the 'every three years' on the wording. As discussion ensued, Mayor Antoskiewicz mentioned that if you keep the \$7,000 per year, it does not matter how many times they apply per year; they just can never get more than the \$7,000. Mr. Marnecheck made suggestion to change it from per year, to per project; because the money only comes into play after August 1st if there is money left over. He continued that we had round one, where money is left over; let us use it in round two. He suggested if there is an applicant that wants to do a second project in that year and we have funds available, let us do a project with them.

Mr. Kelly recapped that it would be 'per project', but a cap of \$7,000 total per year, regardless of the number of projects. Ms. Barath was in agreeance. Mr. Marnecheck wanted to clarify if someone does a project in the first round and they get reimbursed \$7,000, whereas Mr. Kelly finished by saying that they would be done. Mr. Marnecheck concurred. Mayor Antoskiewicz concluded that they can generally hold off too as well, to do anything. Ms. Barath agreed this would stay on the agenda to revisit at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. NEORSD

Ms. Haselton reported on the Big Creek Watershed, whereas the sewer district is working in three different areas currently; the first is Sprague Road and Thornhurst Drive. The culvert replacement project is expected to begin April 24th, which would take a couple of months. We are also starting a stream bank stabilization project, just west of Thornhurst. That will be designed mostly this year, with potential construction next year.

Pertaining to the areas of Oakridge Drive and Maplegrove Avenue, they have acquired seven homes thus far. The sewer district is starting on a pre-design for that project. Currently, they are doing surveying and flow monitoring. They are acquiring two homes in the Bunker Road area, west of State Road, in which 6300 Bunker Road has already been acquired, and 6400 Bunker Road is still occupied; however, the purchase will close soon.

In the Chippewa Creek area, there is a bigger project mostly on the Broadview Heights side, however, it affects us somewhat with a basin there. We are going to lower the force main in that basin this month. Thereafter, the

larger project will take place over the next year. Ms. Barath asked if that is going to start this month. Mr. Haselton indicated the lowering the force main, which is our part of the project; the rest of it will not start until the fall after November 1st. The sewer district will come in and lower the basin and create more volume. Mayor Antoskiewicz noted that it is also going to get cleaned.

Mayor Antoskiewicz wanted to touch on Sprague Road and Thornhurst Drive, whereas notices will be sent to those people. They will be closing that part of Sprague Road for up to 60 days to do that culvert underneath; this is on the other side, to upsize it, etc. There were other complications with some water lines that have to be lowered, which they did not anticipate, therefore, it will be closed. They communicated with all of the residents. This affects Parma residents more, based on where it is. They would be starting that April 24th. It is up to the contractor as to a time frame. They provided plans for the detour as well, which we can share with everyone.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Nickell, seconded by Mr. Wos **to adjourn the March 7, 2023 meeting.** Yeas: 3; Nays: 0. **Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.**

Stormwater Jobs

February 2023

Property Address	Work performed	Date
Silver Tree & Valley Pkwy	attempted to locate culvert under Silver Tree	1-Feb
	box truck shelving	1-Feb
	pm plows and vehicles	2-Feb
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	unloaded tool and equipment out of old box truck and into new box truck	3-Feb
	pm vehicles	3-Feb
Beechwood	jet/clean storm mains	6-Feb
	trailer shelving	6-Feb
11623 Albion to Abbey	redefined ditch	7-Feb
11730 Albion	redefined ditch	7-Feb
16636 Bennett	checked for blockages in storm line(none found)	8-Feb
	flood patrol	8-Feb
	trailer shelving	8-Feb
4305 W Sprague	unclogged culvert	9-Feb
	delivered tow motor to Precision and picked up old tow motor from Rec Dept	9-Feb
	flood patrol	9-Feb
Boston extension	redefined ditch	10-Feb
	trailer shelving	10-Feb
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Boston extension	redefined ditch	15-Feb
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Boston extension	redefined ditch	16-Feb
8690 Edgerton	removed silt screen from catch inlet	16-Feb
	trailer shelving	16-Feb
11609 Glen Abbey	filled sinkhole	17-Feb
	trailer shelving	17-Feb
	cleaned vehicles	17-Feb
	trailer shelving	20-Feb
	pm vehicles	20-Feb
B' plant	reinforced canopy	21-Feb

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11609 Glen Abbey	dye tested sinkhole and attempted to patch infiltration areas	21-Feb
11609 Glen Abbey	patched infiltration areas	22-Feb
	flood patrol	22-Feb
Royalton Rd(in front of Niko's)	unplugged catch basin	23-Feb
Athena Dr	checked/cleaned catch basins	23-Feb
13758 Bennett	jet/cleaned storm lateral	23-Feb
4403 Eagle Pt	filled and landscaped sinkhole(sinkholes were tested previously)	24-Feb
	trailer shelving	24-Feb
	flood patrol	27-Feb
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8140 Edgerton	redefined ditches in area	1-Mar
8124 Edgerton	jet culvert	1-Mar
8653 Edgerton	jet culvert	1-Mar
Boston extension	jet storm main	1-Mar
8140 Edgerton	redefined ditches in area	2-Mar
7203 Cady	cleared culvert	2-Mar
	flood patrol	2-Mar
	flood patrol	3-Mar
	PM vehicles and equipment	6-Mar
10748 Albion	jet culvert	7-Mar
8152 Edgerton	jet culvert	7-Mar
	build shelving/organize saw trailer	8-Mar
	install back up camera on Vactor	8-Mar
Silver Tree and Valley Parkway	install 18"x18" catch inlet and redefined ditch line	9-Mar
9465 W 130th	televised culvert	10-Mar
	build shelving/organize saw trailer	10-Mar
12421 York	sawcut around catch basin	13-Mar
HI View and Ridge	checked catch basins and inlet for blockages-none found	13-Mar
12421 York	tore out broken catch basin and poured concrete	14-Mar
18286 Ridge	cleaned concrete ditch and surrounding area	15-Mar
16780 Ridge	cleaned concrete ditch and surrounding area	15-Mar
	build shelving/organize saw trailer	15-Mar
Boston extension	jet storm main	16-Mar
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5581 Goodman	tested and patched infiltration and filled sinkhole	22-Mar
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	flood patrol	23-Mar
Spyglass	sawcut around catch basins to be rebuilt	24-Mar
Silver Tree and Valley Parkway	seeded area around catch basin install	27-Mar
8778 W Wallings	jet/clean catch basins and main	27-Mar
Spyglass	sawcut around catch basins to be rebuilt	28-Mar

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Boston extension	jet storm main	28-Mar
Spyglass	sawcut around catch basins to be rebuilt	29-Mar
Boston extension	jet storm main	29-Mar
12785 W 130th	regraded edge of roadway to allow water to flow off of roadway	30-Mar
	greased and PM Vactor	30-Mar
	flood patrol	