

**STORM WATER COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**APRIL 4, 2023**

The Storm Water Committee meeting was held on April 4, 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, Heidi Webber, Jeremy Dietrich; **Administration:** Mayor Larry Antoskiewicz, City Engineer Justin Haselton, Law Director Tom Kelly, Service Director Nick Cinquepalmi, Wastewater Superintendent Mark Smith; **Other:** Vincent Weimer, Joel Spatz.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of March 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**

No update.

**4. York Road Property**

Mr. Kelly advised that we are still working on a judgement entry that all of the lawyers can agree upon. We have an agreement in principle; however, that does not mean we are going to get all of the signatures that we need. He went on to say that we continue to work on this.

**5. Cleaning the Mains**

Mr. Smith shared that we hope to start back on this process at the end of the month. The weather looks as though it will be permissible to begin cleaning the mains again.

Ms. Barath inquired whether it was possible to include the locations that the workers have cleaned in the report. Mr. Smith agreed. Ms. Krejci asked about the number of mains, referring to storm water culverts. Mr. Smith clarified that we have several large mains throughout the City; multiple. Mr. Dietrich questioned which ward the workers were currently in. Mr. Marnecheck wanted to clarify that we are not doing it by ward. Mr. Smith agreed; areas where we think we have had issues. Mr. Dietrich mentioned that it was previously said that we would start in ward 1, specifically because that was likely one of the worst areas; referring to the mains. Mr. Smith stated that we are out of ward 1, which is where we had the most calls. Mr. Marnecheck pointed out that it was never conveyed that Mr. Smith's plan was to go on to ward 2. Mr. Dietrich wanted to know if we were near the two-year mark out of the five-year timeline originally thought that it would take; in order to complete it. Mr. Smith concurred, we are going to continue until we get through the entire city; and restart again.

Mr. Marnecheck wanted to know if Mr. Smith would be able to provide any update, data or metrics that can be shown with decreased flow or anything to show the benefits. Mr. Smith felt that the proof lies in the fact that the phone calls have decreased, as he has mentioned in past; it is working. He reiterated that we do not have the complaints from residents as we had before. Mr. Marnecheck questioned how small of a pipe would qualify as

main. Mr. Smith stated that we are talking about the larger pipes. Mr. Marnecheck asked about the diameter. Mr. Smith explained that the mains are your larger ones; for example, 24 inches or more.

## 6. Amending 1481.08 – Storm Water Management

Mr. Kelly explained that he made some amendments, which had been shared by Ms. Schroeder. The fundamental amendment that he took away from all of the discussion, was that Council wanted to limit the grant to no more than \$7,000 per year, per project, and per applicant. Therefore, no applicant could receive more than \$7,000 for any one-year application. He went on to say that opens the door for people to come back year after year, however that did not seem to bother anyone. The opportunity for an applicant to receive a grant is going to be based on the merit of their application. He presumed there would be discretion on the part of the engineer, in which he will have the discretion to approve the amendments or the applications; it will be all reimbursement. As he recalled, the goal was to address the most aggregates circumstances, however he felt the hope would be that the grant should go to people who have not gotten them before. If there is a meritorious project that are seeking the same money, presumably the applicant that has already received approval on a prior grant, they would be placed in second position.

Ms. Barath asked if there was a limitation on the amount that we were making available that year also. Mr. Kelly believed that it was 25%; not to exceed \$7,000. The project has to come in at \$28,000 or more, for any applicant to qualify for the maximum \$7,000 reward. Mr. Marnecheck asked if it had always been 25%; was it initially a third of the cost. Mr. Kelly could not recall. Mayor Antoskiewicz did not recall that ever being changed; it was 25%. Ms. Krejci commented that if we have the money available, she would rather use it for these projects every year than not; with discretion.

Ms. Barath moved to have legislation drafted, for Amending of 1481.08, seconded by Mr. Nickell. Vote: Yeas: 3 Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

Ms. Barath moved to remove this item from the Storm Water Committee Agenda, seconded by Mr. Nickell. Vote: Yeas: 3 Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

## 7. NEORSD projects update

Mr. Haselton provided updates from the sewer district. The Sprague and Thornhurst project is still expected to begin April 24<sup>th</sup>. They will start putting up signage on April 10<sup>th</sup> alerting residents that it will be closed for that period of time. In that area, we are doing the stream banks stabilization project on the other side of Thornhurst; field work has begun. The sewer district is continuing to do survey work in the Oakridge Maple Grove area. Pertaining to Chippewa Creek, which is the large project that is taking place between North Royalton and Broadview Heights, their bids are due back for that project on April 12<sup>th</sup>; however, they are not going to start any work until after October 1<sup>st</sup>, but may do some mobilization before then. That larger project, which takes place in Broadview Heights, will not begin until the fall.

Ms. Barath wanted to know if a big portion of that was in North Royalton. Mr. Haselton explained that there is a sanitary sewer force main that was just encased; that project just got completed. The rest of it is just doing the lowering of that basin, whereas they are going to be creating more storage. Then that water goes into Broadview Heights. He added that 90% or more would be done in Broadview Heights.

Ms. Krejci questioned the date of April 24<sup>th</sup>, if the road would be completely closed and for how long. Mr. Haselton concurred; for up to two months. Mr. Nickell asked about Applewood, whereas some of the residents communicated that the sewer district has looked at that long creek. Mayor Antoskiewicz stated that he received something from the sewer district, which they are looking to do a project for stabilization work on Applewood. He agreed to send that information to Mr. Smith and Mr. Nickell. Mr. Marnecheck raised question whether we are using community cost share funds for this. Mayor Antoskiewicz stated that the sewer district is doing the project and picking that up.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There is none.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Ms. Barath, seconded by Mr. Vos **to adjourn the April 4, 2023 meeting.** Yeas: 3; Nays: 0. **Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.**

# Stormwater Jobs

April 2023

| Property Address           | Work performed                                    | Date   |
|----------------------------|---|--------|
| 17505 Sawgrass             | patched catch basin and filled sinkhole           | 3-Apr  |
| 7408 Julia                 | televised storm lateral                           | 4-Apr  |
| Boston extension           | jet storm main                                    | 4-Apr  |
| Spyglass Development       | saw cut around catch basins to be rebuilt         | 4-Apr  |
| 3911 Wiltshire             | filled sinkhole                                   | 5-Apr  |
| 19020 Bennett              | dye tested sinkhole and filled                    | 5-Apr  |
| East End                   | cleaned catch basins                              | 5-Apr  |
| Douglas                    | cleaned catch basins                              | 5-Apr  |
| Hunters Creek Development  | cleaned storms                                    | 6-Apr  |
| Spyglass Development       | tear out and rebuild catch basins                 | 6-Apr  |
| Spyglass Development       | tear out and rebuild catch basins                 | 7-Apr  |
| Spyglass Development       | poured concrete around catch basins               | 10-Apr |
| Hunters Creek Development  | cleaned storms                                    | 11-Apr |
| Spyglass Development       | tear out and rebuild catch basins                 | 11-Apr |
| Hunters Creek Development  | cleaned storms                                    | 12-Apr |
| Spyglass Development       | tear out and rebuild catch basins                 | 12-Apr |
| Spyglass Development       | poured concrete around catch basins               | 13-Apr |
| Spyglass Development       | landscaped around completed catch basins          | 14-Apr |
| Swan Lake                  | filled sinkholes                                  | 17-Apr |
|                            | built forms for risers and catch basin tops       | 17-Apr |
|                            | poured concrete forms                             | 18-Apr |
| 8382 Parkdale              | tried to locate storm cleanout                    | 18-Apr |
| Prince Charles Development | clean storms                                      | 19-Apr |
| Spyglass Development       | tear out and rebuild catch basins                 | 19-Apr |
| Prince Charles Development | cleaned storms                                    | 20-Apr |
| Vista                      | cleaned catch basins                              | 20-Apr |
| Spyglass Development       | poured concrete around catch basins               | 20-Apr |
| 7988 Ridgedale             | jet culvert                                       | 21-Apr |
| Vista                      | cleaned catch basins                              | 21-Apr |
| Malvern                    | tore out sidewalk panel over retention inlet pipe | 21-Apr |
| Vista                      | cleaned catch basins                              | 24-Apr |
| Malvern                    | poured sidewalk                                   | 24-Apr |
|                            | pour concrete forms for catch basin tops          | 24-Apr |

# Stormwater Jobs

April 2023

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|----------------------|---|--------|
| Spyglass Development | tear out and rebuild catch basins             | 25-Apr |
| Vista                | cleaned catch basins                          | 25-Apr |
| Spyglass Development | tear out and rebuild catch basins             | 26-Apr |
| Castle               | clean sticks and logs from beaver out of main | 27-Apr |
| Spyglass Development | poured concrete around catch basins           | 27-Apr |
| 9465 W 130th         | fixed sinkhole near culvert pipe              | 28-Apr |
|                      | flood patrol cleanup                          | 28-Apr |