

VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE
Stormwater and Flood Plain Oversight Committee Meeting
October 25, 2012, 7:00 p.m.

Downers Grove Public Works Facility
5101 Walnut Avenue, Downers Grove, Illinois

I. CALL to ORDER

Chair Eckmann called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. A roll call followed and a quorum was established.

II. Roll Call

Members Present: Chair Eckmann, Mr. Crilly, Mr. Gorman, Mr. Scacco, Mr. Schoenberg

Absent: Mr. Austin, Mr. Ruyle

Staff Present: Karen Daulton Lange – Stormwater Administrator

III. APPROVAL of April 12, 2012 MINUTES

Mr. Gorman moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Scacco. Some minor changes to verbiage was made and changes made on approved copy. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Mary Nevrlly of 1310 Gilbert addressed the Committee. There is an existing tributary flowing from under the railroad tracks on the north side of her property and through the west side of Ms. Nevrlly's home to an existing box culvert with headwalls on her property side of the Village sidewalk along Gilbert. Ms. Nevrlly stated that she has locked the grate in an up position because of debris accumulation and her concern that her property would flood. She stated the Village did not come out and raise this grate when she called. Ms. Nevrlly said she saw in the CIP program that this area was slated to have a new grate and was concerned how that might effect her property.

Discussion ensued among the Committee regarding trash racks and their use for debris management and safety (children being swept downstream into a pipe), as well as if this improvement was being planned to be constructed on private property.

Chair Eckmann asked Ms. Karen Daulton Lange to look into the matter and report back to Ms. Nevrlly as well as the Committee at the next meeting.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Countywide Stormwater & Flood Plain Ordinance Update

Ms. Lange gave a binder to the Committee members present containing the Village Code Chapter 26, Stormwater and Flood Plain Ordinance, adopted May 8, 2012; General Certifications; Village Code Chapter 25, Article II, Stormwater Utility Ordinance, adopted August 21, 2012; and the Stormwater Credit & Incentive Manual.

She reported that the Municipal Engineer's Group was continuing to meet on a monthly basis at the County and discussing proposed clarifications and changes to the County Stormwater & Flood Plain Ordinance that are expected to be adopted early next year.

B. Public Meeting Procedures

The Public Meeting Procedures handout as discussed and revised from the April 12, 2012 meeting was distributed by Ms. Daulton Lange to the Committee.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Stormwater Utility Implementation

Ms. Daulton Lange reported on the Village's significant outreach efforts to make sure the property owners know about the Stormwater Utility and the impact on property tax reduction and the fee. When asked how the Appeals process would work, she explained that if a property owner was dissatisfied with her decision, they could send a letter to the Village Manager. The Manager would respond and the appeal could be taken to the SW&FPOC.

VII. STAFF REPORT

None.

VIII. ADJOURN

Mr. Gorman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m., seconded by Mr. Scacco. Motion carried by voice vote.