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## **STORMWATER SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES**

404 North Wood Dale Rd.

Wood Dale, IL 60191

September 8, 2021

### **Call to Order**

The Stormwater Subcommittee Meeting was called to Order at 6:30 pm

### **Roll Call**

Present: Deputy Chief Ryan O'Neil, Chairman Alderman Tony Catalano, Vice Chairman Alderman Nadine Ames, Gail Bedard, Dolores Kopp, Patricia Pinnella, Lynn Curiale

Absent: Steve Krych, Patricia Pinnella and Warren Wawczak

Also Present: Director Alan Lange

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Chairman Alderman Catalano made a motion, seconded by Alderman Ames, to approve the Stormwater Subcommittee Minutes of the April 7, 2021 meeting as presented. When the question was put, a vote was taken with all in favor and the motion carried.

### **STORMWATER PROJECT**

Alderman Catalano presented a short video showing how the below ground separator Continuous Deflector Separator (CDS) Hydrodynamic Separator installed at the Potter Street Lift Station separates and removes the pollutants before the stormwater is discharged into Squaw Creek that feeds into Salt Creek.

Director Lange and Alderman Catalano answered several inquiries including the flow of water during a heavy downpour remains consistent as it is pumped by the Lift Station, the Catch Basin will be cleaned out 3-4 times/year by a Vac U Truck, it can store 4.6 million gallons of water equivalent to 7 Olympic Swimming Pools, the Separator is run by water and not electricity, water quality is much improved.

### **COMMITTEE GOALS**

Gail felt the City should have an early warning system and a Community Program to help residents and FEMA respond to emergencies and hurricanes that affect our flood levels, the NOAA lights on the Irving Pk. bridge have not been working and need to be addressed as it notifies residents who are without computer or cell phones of the flood level with rainfall totals and the elevation. The USGS site has not been listing the levels regularly. One County monitoring station was moved over to the Reservoir and there is one at Busse Woods. Elk

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Grove Village has control over a detention pond and always releases water prior to predicted big storms, thus raising our water levels.

Alderman Catalano and Director Lange stated NOAA is scheduled to be repaired the following day, Reverse 911 is now available, the Police Dept. also monitors the flood levels, there are additional sand bags and locations, and work on the Stormwater Project is still continuing. Public Works has been cleaning up the storm sewers which has helped alleviate some of the flooding problems.

Alderman Catalano proudly reported The City of Wood Dale is receiving the Illinois American Society of Civil Engineer Outstanding Engineering Achievement Project of the Year Award for the Ward 2 & 3 Stormwater Project. Sen. Tammy Duckworth chose our project out of all of DuPage County to come and visit on June 30th and said she'll try to get some more grants for our City.

#### **CREEK BANK CLEAN-UP SCHEDULE**

Creek Bank Clean-up has always been a goal and will continue to be our goal. Steve Krych used to take the lead on that. Gail and Lynn have participated in land clean-ups, but there have not been any actual canoe and kayaks on water clean-up of the debris for many years since the volunteers have aged and no new volunteers have stepped up. Nothing was done last year because of Covid-19. Alderman Catalano stated someone will need to take over if Steve does not want to lead, and suggested talking with Alderman Curiale since he does a lot of clean-up. Gail reported tree and debris in the water used to be removed by the residents, but now trees and debris have to be removed by DuPage Co. who have not responding. There seems to be a disclaimer of responsibility for removal between DuPage County and the Forest Preserve. A contact for removal of trees and debris from the water will be sought.

#### **ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AT FUTURE MEETINGS:**

- Adopt a Storm Drain Program for Residents
- Creek Bank Clean-up
- Required number of Stormwater Committee members and if we meet that total
- Our Next Meeting will be Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2022 at 6:30 pm.

#### **ADIJOURNMENT:**

On a motion by Alderman Catalano, seconded by Gail Bedard, to adjourn the September 8, 2021 Meeting. When the question was put all agreed. The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

*Minutes taken by Lynn Curiale*

*Reviewed by Deputy-Chief Ryan O'Neil*