



STORMWATER SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES

404 North Wood Dale Rd.

Wood Dale, IL 60191

March 8, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Vice-Chair Ames, City Clerk Lynn Curiale, Steve Krych

Absent: Chairman Catalano, Gail Bedard, Warren Wawczak, Dolores Kopp, Patricia Pinnella

Staff Liaison: Assistant Director Public Works, Brett Garelli sitting in for Asst. Director Public Works, Patrick Hastings

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Steve made a motion, seconded by Lynn, to approve the Minutes of the October 5, 2022 meeting as presented. When the question was put, a vote was taken with all in favor and the motion carried.

ADOPT A STORM DRAIN PROGRAM ROLL OUT

Asst. Director Garelli briefly reviewed the Adopt-A-Storm Drain program and reported Asst. Director Hastings was asking for direction before launching the program as to whether we will give a pair of gloves, a sleeveless safety vest, and some garbage bags to Residents signed up to Adopt-A-Drain as a combination starter kit/thank you. All agreed to give them to the Residents.

SALT CREEK BANK CLEAN UP

Asst. Director Garelli stated Asst. Dir. Hastings had asked for confirmation the Clean up will start at Lionwood Park and what supplies were needed for the event.

Steve suggested cloth gloves, 15-20 pick-up sticks, garbage bags and the event to run 9 am-12pm. Lynn asked if vests would still be available to borrow from PW for those picking up near roads. Steve offered the use of the signs he had to let people know there was a cleanup and where to check in and start. One sign will be placed at Edgebrook and Irving Park Rd. with an arrow pointing to the starting point of Lionwood Park. Steve also said other areas to clean that affect the Creek are the Reservoir and the Creek overflow pond at Jewel. Vice-Chair Ames suggested if enough people come to help perhaps some of them could be sent over to the Creek overflow pond by Jewel as a good visual to others that a clean-up was being done. Asst. Director Garelli reported Asst. Director Hastings had in his notes that he will be working with Janelle to use all avenues of advertising for the event and will talk to the High Schools about the kids helping with the Clean-up to get some Service Hours. Vice-Chair Ames suggested talking to the schools about the possibility of using their electronic backpack notification system and maybe having a competition between the schools or grades for the most garbage collected. Lynn suggested having some flyers and a sign available at the Earth Day Celebration, April 22 at the Woodlands at White Oaks Park, and to take photos of the Cleanup to post showing how much garbage was collected to hopefully encourage Community caring and involvement. Steve will check the Creek water level and check the conditions in person before the Salt Creek Cleanup. Steve provided a copy of a participant waiver used for the DuPage River Sweep by the Conservationist Foundation to use as a template.

WATER QUALITY FLAG UPDATE

Asst. Director Garelli shared Asst. Dir. Hastings' update about the remaining two (2) requirements needed to acquire the Water Quality Flag:

- One more Staff training needs to be completed for those that missed the previous one
- install a Rain Barrell at one of the Public Buildings. Asst. Dir. Hastings is working with Staff on determining the best location for the barrel.

Additional Discussion

Steve asked if Bridge Inspections for debris and big branches are still being done and shared reports that have been done in the past. Steve said these reports were helpful to keep a watch on things that could block the Creek flow and have them removed before the obstruction caused a backup and flooding. Asst. Dir. Garelli will talk with Asst. Dir. Hastings to see if these Reports are still being done. Vice-Chair Ames asked for these reports be included at our meetings.



ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AT FUTURE MEETINGS:

- Bridge Reports
- Review of Salt Creek Clean Up

Next Stormwater Subcommittee Meeting tentatively set for Wednesday, June 7 at 6:30 pm

ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chair Ames made a motion to adjourn the March 8, 2023 Meeting. When the question was put all agreed. The meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm

Minutes taken by City Clerk Lynn Curiale

Reviewed by Asst. Directors PW Patrick Hastings and Brett Garelli