

STORM WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING
February 23, 2021

The meeting of the Storm Water Management Board was called to order. Present were Commissioners Jeff Good, Laura Blaney and Jim Biggs. Also present were, Kevin Breitzke, Scott McClure, and Mike Novotney.

**Consent Agenda – Drainage Board
Cases (Drainage Board Approval)**

#SM-21-0006 NIPSCO – To install a new 1-1/4” gas service line and a new 2” conduit carrying an electric service line across Swanson-Lamporte Ditch, Arm 2 in order to provide gas and electric service to the single-family residential home being constructed at such location. **SWAB Recommendation:** to approve Case SM-21-0006 subject to a 5’ separation, staff recommendations and execution of a Hold Harmless Agreement.

Claims – Regulated Drains (Drainage Board Approval)

Cherry Hill Subd. \$ 5,721.30

Motion: Laura Blaney moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Jim Biggs seconded and so approved with a 3-0 vote.

**Consent Agenda – Storm Water Management Board
Claims – Storm Water Fund (Storm Water Management Board Approval)**

Cornell Ditch	\$ 13,635.00
Covenant Place Subd.	\$ 7,190.00
Greater South Haven	\$ 43,519.77
Ludington Ditch	\$ 20,644.60
New South Haven Subd.	\$ 3,120.00
Washington Highlands Subd.	\$ 4,123.05
Waterford Subd.	\$ 2,897.00

Motion: Kevin Breitzke moved to approve the Consent Agenda- Storm Water Management Board. Jim Biggs seconded and so approved with a 4-0 vote.

Announcements

Ludington Ditch, Arm 19, Ditch Reconstruction – This is the first phase of the Ludington Ditch, Arms 16-19 drain tile reconstruction project. Phase 1 will include mowing, clearing and tree removal, and channel excavation on Ludington Ditch, Arm 19 from CR 450 S to its confluence with Ludington Ditch. Sealed quotes or bids will be opened and a contract awarded at a future meeting. This will address long time drain tile issues and flooding issues.

Windy Oaks Subdivision, Storm Water Management System Improvements, Phase 2 – reconstruction and enhancement of existing storm water infrastructure, including a detention basin, swale, and storm

sewer, to address existing drainage and storm water management issues. Sealed quotes or bids will be opened and a contract awarded at a future meeting.

Request for Quote Results, Quote Acceptance, & Contract Awards

Annual Construction & Maintenance Services Agreements, 2021 – hourly rates for the period Feb. 1, 2021, through Jan. 31, 2022, for labor and equipment typically used in storm water construction and maintenance activities.

Badger Daylighting Corporation
Johns Brothers Tiling & Excavating, Inc.

Motion: Jim Biggs moved to approve the Annual Construction and Maintenance Services Agreements for 2021. Kevin Breitzke seconded and so approved with a 4-0 vote.

Request for Qualifications (RFQual) Results

Annual Professional Services Agreements, 2021 – qualifications-based selection process to select consultants to provide professional services, for the period Feb. 1, 2021, through Jan. 31, 2022, related to the development, administration, and implementation of Porter County's Storm Water Management Program. Statements of qualifications were received on Jan. 28, 2021. Staff received 13 Statements of Qualifications from businesses. They have been reviewed. Mike explained the rating procedure for each consultant. Staff is recommending seven of the 13 firms receive a contract. Those recommended are: Soil Solutions, DLZ, Christopher Burke, AGS, BF&S, American Structure Point, and Lawson Fisher. If approved, a contract will be provided at the next meeting for each

Motion: Jim Biggs moved to approve Staff's recommendation of seven firms to enter into contracts for professional services. Kevin Breitzke seconded. Jeff Good amended the motion to include the names of the consultants approved which are: Soil Solutions, DLZ, Christopher Burke, AGS, BF&S, American Structure Point, and Lawson Fisher. Motion approved with a 4-0 vote.

MS4 Permit Changes

Discussion about IDEM's proposed new General NPDES Permit for municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s), which would replace IDEM's "Rule 13" (i.e., 327 IAC 15-3) and the impacts it is projected to have on Porter County's Storm Water Management Program. Amanda Vandover addressed the board. New rules include:

Inspection Requirements:

- Inspect any non-stormwater discharge within 48 hours;
- Continual screening – they are not sure what the requirement is and have asked for clarification;
- Inspection of all active construction sites each quarter;
- 100% of all post construction measures within a five-year period;
- Visual inspection of all storm water infrastructure by year two. They have asked for clarification on this.

Discussion followed regarding lack of clarity and inconsistent requirements for counties versus communities.

More documentation mapping in MS4 area. It will now be required on an annual basis;
Five-year requirement for public education;
Evaluation of stormwater system for the stormwater quality management plan. They have asked for clarification on this;
Identification and mapping of industrial facilities for discharges. Previously this was an IDEM responsibility. This will be the first time doing this for Porter County.
Mapping all MS4 owned streets and parking lots. The new requirement is that there be regular scheduled street sweeping.
Updating requirements: 12 hours of training across the board.
Must have two annual public events. They have asked for clarification on this.

Jeff Good discussed that Porter County has had a green approach from the beginning. All communities need to be a part of this program.

Contract Administration

Old South Haven Storm Water Improvements, Baltimore Rd. Storm Sewer & Roadway Improvements, Professional Services (DLZ) – Amendment #1 to amend the professional services agreement for the Baltimore Rd. Storm Sewer & Roadway Improvements Project to provide for additional resident project representative services necessary to successfully complete the project. Such amendment increases the value of the agreement by \$41,300.00 to a total agreement value of \$121,900.00. Staff recommends approval.

Motion: Jeff Good moved to approve Amendment #1 to the Professional Services Agreement for Baltimore Road Storm Sewer and Roadway Improvements Project with DLZ. Kevin Breitzke seconded and so approved with a 4-0 vote.

#P20-142 Bauer Ditch - Drain Tile Reconstruction (G.E. Marshall, Inc.) – Change Order #1 to amend the contract to account for modifications to the construction plans made by the Department and to adjust the contract price to reflect changes to the various items of work involved in order to accommodate such modifications. Such change order will increase the value of the contract by \$12,946.51 to a total contract price of \$408,514.55.

Motion: Kevin Breitzke moved to approve Change Order #1 on the Bauer Ditch – Drain Tile Reconstruction project. Jim Biggs seconded and so approved with a 4-0 vote.

Projects & Programs Update

Old South Haven Storm Water Improvements. There are three projects left to do: Baltimore Road storm sewer project; Squirrel Creek Phase 2 which is run by US Army Corp. By early summer this project will be done. The Squirrel Creek Improvement Project is the last one. They plan to be in construction on this project late this year.

Bauer Ditch Drain Tile Reconstruction. By April 2nd the project is supposed to be substantially complete.

Work Order Report

2021 to date they have had 18 projects. Of those projects, 14 are work orders.

Next Meeting: March 16, 2021, 9:00 am

There being no further business, the meeting recessed.

Jeff Good, President

Mike Novotney, Engineer/Program Director