



MINUTES
SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
Monday, June 13, 2016

Present:

Mayor Brandt	Trustee Feldman
Trustee Grujanac	Trustee Hancock
Trustee McDonough	Trustee Servi
Trustee Leider	Village Clerk Mastandrea
Village Attorney Simon	Village Manager Burke
Chief of Police Kinsey	Finance Director/Treasurer Peterson
Public Works Director Woodbury	Assistant Public Works Director/Village
Building Official Jesse	Engineer Dittrich

ROLL CALL

Mayor Brandt called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Village Clerk Mastandrea called the Roll.

2.0 ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS

2.1 Des Plaines River Bank Stabilization Project Presentation

Assistant Public Works Director/Village Engineer Dittrich noted the existing berm along the Des Plaines River, combined with sandbagging and pumping operations, protects 70 homes along Lincolnshire Drive. Residents own their property to the center of the Des Plaines River which includes the existing berm. Many residents have installed landscaping features on and around the berm. The topic for the meeting is to review and discuss stabilization and rehabilitation options for the berm in this location.

Mr. Marty Michalisko, from ERA Consultants, provided a presentation and evaluation of the Riverwoods subdivision internal drainage system which drain through six main storm sewer systems to the Des Plaines River.

Ms. Erin Pande, from ERA Consultants, provided a presentation related to Des Plaines River Berm System noting the existing berm is too low in many areas and not quite wide enough to support sandbag efforts or other flood fighting operations. It was noted miscellaneous landscaping is present along the berm which creates obstruction for Village access.

Ms. Pande highlighted possible actions for Village Board consideration as follows:

- Do nothing to the existing berm
- Raise settled berm areas to 10-year protection levels
- Remove woody materials along the berm
- Remove drain line penetrations through the berm
- Remove failed retaining walls
- Remove fences, playground equipment, and other items placed on the berm from the residents
- Provide and pay for a detailed survey of overland flow routes.
- Possibly obtaining 30' – 45' easements so that the Village could have formal rights/responsibilities to maintain the area.

Assistant Public Works Director/Village Engineer Dittrich provided information related to land acquisition of the possible easement which would give the Village right-of-entry. Assistant Public Works Director/Village Engineer Dittrich solicited feedback from the Board on next steps.

After a brief discussion regarding next steps, it was the consensus of the Village Board staff should work to host a public meeting with homeowners located along the berm. This meeting would be to educate residents about best practices for maintaining the berm to ensure it remains stable and a good barrier in certain storm events. It was the consensus of the Village Board that the Village will not be pursuing taking formal responsibility for stabilization, care or maintenance of the berm as it is private property and does not plan to seek easements from property owners for the Village to take formal responsibility for the berm. Staff plans to share the draft citizen meeting PowerPoint presentation with the Village Board for feedback prior to hosting public meeting.

3.0 ADJOURNMENT

Trustee McDonough moved and Trustee Servi seconded the motion to adjourn. Upon a voice vote, the motion was approved unanimously and Mayor Brandt declared the meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

VILLAGE OF LINCOLNSHIRE

Barbara Mastandrea
Village Clerk