

**Drainage and Sewer Control Committee**  
**September 5, 2007, 7:00PM, Macedonia City Center**  
**Regular Meeting**

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:06PM.
- II. Attendees are as follows:  
**Members:** Julia Henderson, Cathy Loya, Amanda Coon, Rosemary Filisky, Dennis Mulac, Jean Gagne  
**City Representatives:** Jan Tulley (Council Representative), Jim Crevar (Service Director), Fred Tufts (City Engineer)  
**Others in Attendance:** John Lund (CTI), Dave Koontz (CTI)  
**Residents in Attendance:** Rick and Karen Skufca, Linda Riley, Gene Reed, Linda and Jon Golden
- III. Minutes of the August 8, 2007 meeting were approved by unanimous vote.
- IV. **Old Business**
- A. **Feedback about the council presentation on August 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Jan had not heard any feedback from other members of council regarding the DSCC's presentation.
- B. **Contacting residents who requested follow-ups:** Amanda will send an email list of names she has to all. Those who can will volunteer to contact someone on the list. Cathy Loya is loading all of the survey data into a spreadsheet, and noted that there are many more that requested contact that were not on the original list. She will email lists as she comes across them as well.
- C. **Crow/Hampton Dam follow-up:** This job will go to the contractor – Jim is waiting for them to call and schedule.
- D. **Creating survey spreadsheet for DSCC use:** Cathy has about 200 done; she is trying to dedicate about an hour a day to the project.
- E. **Letter about encroachment blocking Crow swale:** Letter was mailed on August 28<sup>th</sup> to Donald Vonalt. Resident has 30 days to respond. Note that members received a copy of this letter via email from Dennis on 9/6/2007.
- V. **New Business**
- A. **Flooding situation at 8566 N. Bedford Road:** This home belongs to Gene Reed. The garage is lower than the driveway. When the garage is filled with enough water, it flows over a small step and into the basement of the home. Mrs. Reed had several questions for the committee:
1. What responsibility does the city have to flooding residents?
  2. How do we approach finding a solution?
  3. Is there emergency flood control in the pond above her residence?

4. At what point does the city determine a flood situation? The federal government sets flooding criteria. The city must meet the federal criteria in order to apply for federal assistance.

This residence has no standing water; the water all drains away as soon as the rain stops. The garage was built in 1978, and the basement and garage of the addition have flooded since it was built. Rick Skufca believes that this problem will continue unless there is a culvert built to transfer the water under N. Bedford and into Indian Creek. John Lund notes that the ideal way to solve the problem would be to retain water upstream. Mr. Skufca believes that someone upstream changed the natural drainage course, since the flooding occurs more often and with less rainfall now compared with flooding they experienced in the past. Jon Golden also states that this group of residents experiences flooding of their properties with only ½” of rain when in the past it took much more. John Lund believes that this problem could be solvable if we look in a comprehensive manner, encompassing a larger area. Fred Tufts notes that we need to maintain retention and other drainage structures. He also advises the committee that there are several retention/detention ponds that remain dry during rainstorms. Fred believes that the most cost effective solution would be to brick up the garage and build a new one beside the home at a higher elevation.

- B. Preparation for Council work session:** The DSCC has been asked to attend the council work session on September 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM. The current thoughts are to get the financial picture on the table first, and then we can set up what we can ask for. This would be an ideal time to reintroduce the storm water utility fee. We need \$170,000 to put the next phase into action. We need to identify what we will be doing with these funds. We also need to explain what Phase II can do to help with our EPA requirements.
- C. Oct. 26 Teleconference:** Teleconference is about storm water utilities. Time is 1PM to 3PM at the CTI offices... 1 Cascade Plaza, Downtown Akron, the Goodyear Boardroom on the 17<sup>th</sup> floor. John Lund will provide the committee with the conference materials to follow along via an email link. Dennis, Rosemary, Amanda, and Jim will attend the teleconference. Julia, Tom, and Cathy are maybes and will attend if possible.
- D. Summit Soil and Water Seminar:** Seminar is Oct. 11 from 8AM to 3PM. Not sure of attendees at this time.
- E. Discussion roundtable:**
  1. Jan advised the committee that council passed legislation to join the Brandywine Creek Watershed Partnership.
  2. Jim will be attending a workshop on post-construction pollution.
  3. Jean Gagne has joined the DSCC.
  4. John Lund will speak with Greg Bachman (Summit County Engineer) about speaking to the DSCC regarding his plans for regionalization.

5. Jim notes that the city is working on the outfall mapping with the county.
6. Summit County has a riparian setback ordinance. Many communities around Macedonia have adopted this ordinance.

**VI. Q & A for Residents:** Residents in attendance were all from the N. Bedford road area that was discussed earlier in the meeting.

**VII. Calendar:** Council work session regarding Phase II Storm Water Study on September 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM in the Council workroom, Macedonia City Center.

The next regular meeting of the DSCC will be on October 3, 2007, 7:00PM at the Macedonia City Center, Council workroom.

**VIII. The meeting was adjourned at 8:57PM.**

Minutes taken 9/5/2007 by Amanda Coon.

Minutes distributed 9/11/2007 via email by Amanda Coon