

REGULAR NORWALK STORMWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING FEBRUARY 1, 2022

Call to order

The regular meeting of the Norwalk Stormwater Advisory Committee was held at the City Council Chambers on Tuesday February 2nd, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by City Planner Elliot Klimowski.

Roll Call

Those observed to be present at the meeting were Greg Pierce, Josh DeBower, Brian Baker, and Megan Regennitter. Absent: Justin Ernst

Staff present included: Elliot Klimowski, AICP - City Planner

Approval of Agenda

Klimowski requested any comments or modifications to the meeting agenda. No alterations were requested.

Review of May 4, 2021 Minutes

Klimowski requested any comments or modifications to the minutes from the previous Stormwater Advisory Committee meeting. No alterations were requested.

Update from the Lakewood Recreational District - Tim Houk & Randy Messer

Randy Messer introduced himself as a representative of the Lakewood Recreational District for the purposes of partnering on communication and general reconnaissance related to stormwater issues in Norwalk. Messer spoke about some of the upcoming projects the Rec District is propelling. Klimowski updated the attendees on rezoning proposals in the vicinity of the Lakewood Rec District.

Discussion and review of Iowa Stormwater Management Manual adoption

Klimowski introduced the discussion topic and spoke on current activities related to stormwater management and project review. Klimowski asked about how adoption of the Iowa Stormwater Manual would impact project design and review. Pierce and DeBower spoke on the details about Capital Crossroads and experience with the new standards out in the field. Pierce and DeBower spoke on different considerations by other communities that have adopted new stormwater regulations utilizing the ISWMM as a base for policy. DeBower emphasized the importance of the Water Quality Volume standard. Pierce and DeBower further emphasized the importance of establishing a healthy baseline of stormwater management practice and creating a toolbox for property owners and developers to pull from. Remaining discussion primarily focused on the pros and cons of making changes to City policy or the post-construction stormwater management ordinance itself.

Update on Stormwater Budget and Capital Improvement Program

Klimowski updated the Committee on active and upcoming capital improvement projects related to stormwater management. The primary projects outlined were the Colonial Parkway Regional Detention, the High Road Subdrain Retrofit, and improvements to Cherry Parkway. Klimowski reported that there have not been any applicants for homeowner stormwater BMP grant funds.

Update on the MS4 Annual Report

Klimowski updated the Committee on the annual MS4 report. Klimowski summarized the different attachments required as outlined by the MS4 permit from the Iowa DNR.

City Council Update - Brian Baker

Baker had no update from City Council.

Planning & Zoning Commission Update - Megan Regennitter

Regennitter was not present to submit an update.

Community Development Update

Klimowski had no update for Community Development.

Next meeting Date – Scheduled as-needed

Adjournment

Klimowski asked for final remarks, followed by adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 6:34 pm.

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Elliot Klimowski, AICP - City Planner