

**TOWN OF NEWBURGH**  
**STORMWATER MANAGEMENT BOARD MINUTES**  
**February 23, 2015**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dana Grace; Greg Bailey

**ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENT:** David Hynes, Town Engineer; Lori Buehlman, Town Manager; Chris Wischer, Town Attorney; Alonzo Moore, Streets Commissioner; Bill Kavanaugh, Town Council Liaison

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Grace called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

**MINUTES**

Mr. Bailey moved to accept the minutes as presented. Mr. Grace seconded the motion and it carried.

**REPORTS**

**Town Council Liaison**

Mr. Kavanaugh said Mr. Grace was reappointed for another three-year term. Mr. Moore said Ms. Buehlman has an update on the drainage project on Mr. Grace's property. Mr. Moore took photos of the work for board review. Mr. Hynes said the pipe with the problem goes to a box drain.

**Town Engineer**

Mr. Hynes said he met with the County Engineer and the County Drainage Board Attorney at Brian Magazine's property. At that time, the county wanted the town to obtain easements. The property is not in town, Mr. Hynes noted, but if the county does not obtain easements, the project cannot begin. The County Engineer, Steve Sherwood, proposed to install a box drain to divert water off Mr. Magazine's property and pipe it to the road (County property). He wanted the town to contact Mr. Magazine's neighbors and ask them to participate. Mr. Hynes said he expects the Dales and Browns will agree. Mr. Grace asked if the retention area is going to force water to back up on neighboring properties. Mr. Hynes said that would only be a problem if they build the berm too high.

Mr. Dale, a former member of the SWM Board, has contacted Mr. Magazine and this seems like a possible solution.

**Staff**

Ms. Buehlman said she has received a set of soil and water science curriculum from Purdue University for 4-H.

She said 70 percent of the town's road salt has been used and she has ordered more.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Mr. Bailey asked for an update on the proposed rezoning on the west side of town. Mr. Wischer said a public hearing on the application is scheduled for March 2 at the Planning Commission meeting. The Site Review Committee has met a couple of times to study traffic, drainage, architecture and other prospects.

The Planning Commission is tasked with making a recommendation to the Town Council on the application. It can be positive, negative or neutral, but the Council has the final voice. Anyone who wants to voice an opinion or concern may speak at the public hearing.

The application is to rezone a little more than 10 acres belonging to the Williams family from agricultural to commercial. If the rezoning is approved, then Planning Commission will have to approve different plans along the way to construction.

Mr. Kavanaugh asked Mr. Hynes if there could be drainage issues if the rezoning is approved. Mr. Hynes said he thinks a retention pond on the property would be useless because the drainage from there runs straight to the river. The pond, on the drawings, is on the east side of the building. They could move the building back farther, Mr. Hynes said. The Site Review Committee has also discussed with Wal-Mart

about having a dedicated roadway. All those details will be at the choice of the Planning Commission and Town Council.

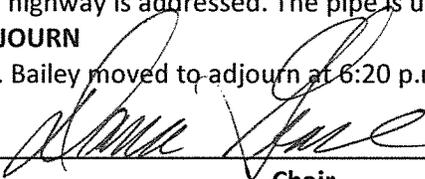
Mr. Wischer said the Grimm property on the west side of Casey's will pose a drainage issue when it comes time to discuss development there. That ground drains into the large drainage pipe in front of Casey's. During the storm sewer project for Windsor Pointe, a larger drain was installed at Mr. Williams' request, with an eye to development.

The ditch, Mr. Hynes said, flows freely on the south side of the highway. Mr. Bailey asked if additional asphalt would pose any drainage issues. Mr. Hynes doesn't think it will be a problem.

However, Mr. Grace said, the drainage problem in that area will not go away until the problem under the highway is addressed. The pipe is under-capacity, he said.

**ADJOURN**

Mr. Bailey moved to adjourn at 6:20 p.m. Mr. Grace seconded the motion and it carried.

  
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Chair

  
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Recorder

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