

Minutes of Special Watab Town Board Meeting

A special meeting of the Watab Town Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 14, 2016 by Chair Ed Kacures, Jr. Other board members present were Supervisors Lloyd Erdmann and Craig Gondeck and Clerk Pat Spence. The purpose of the meeting was to have training on Illicit Discharge and discussion on MS4 issues with Wayne Cymbaluk, Township MS4 Consultant.

Following the Pledge to the Flag, Wayne presented an Illicit Discharge video created by the Center for Watershed Protection and led a dialogue on how to inform residents on the need and process for reporting illicit discharges, which include everything else than storm water. A common form of illicit discharge in the summer is mowing grass into the street. One of the action items is for the board to talk to all business owners about their waste products and how they dispose of them. We can also partner with garbage haulers, county staff, mail delivery staff, and township contractors to keep their eyes open for illicit discharge. Other avenues for disseminating information would be through the Little Rock Lake Association, radio talk shows, and newsletters. We could sponsor a hazardous waste cleanup day or promote the county cleanup day. Clerk Spence was asked to call county staff on the rules for septic system upgrades: does Benton County follow the state requirements or have stricter ones?

The board then reviewed the Wippler Land Disturbance Permit Application prepared by Wayne; the initial excavation at the site covered 2.8 acres, but the actual impervious surface will be under one acre for the house, shed, and driveway. The board agreed to the permit approval with the following additions, recommended by Wayne, through a motion by Supervisor Gondeck and second by Supervisor Kacures:

- Concrete washout, vehicle fueling, and/or hazardous materials are not allowed to occur or be stored onsite unless SWPPP is amended to address these issues.
- A rain gauge is to be set up onsite to assist with determining frequency of inspections (must occur within 24 hours after ½ or greater rainfall.)
- A copy of the SWPPP and inspection records are to be kept on site in a mailbox or other means that is accessible by the Township.

Other MS4 permit discussion included:

- The township's permit with MPCA requires all land disturbance of more than one acre to store all stormwater on site. The developer of the property is responsible for proving the calculations with engineer estimates.
- One permits that require long-term inspections, such as those with ponds, an easement should be retained and recorded with the County Recorder so that the township can inspect the stormwater control measures.
- Because the permit fee for medium and large projects does not always cover the cost of the consulting and inspections, Clerk Spence was asked to draft a resolution for the July Town Board Meeting that would meet the goal of fees covering cost for Land Disturbance Permits.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Clerk Pat Spence