

MIKE CLAUSEN
Chairman

JAY MARTIN
Vice-Chairman

CHUCK ENGELKEN
Member



DARYL LEONARD
Member

DANNY EARP
Alternate Member

MINUTES OF DRAINAGE AND FLOODING COMMITTEE **March 30, 2015**

The Drainage and Flooding Committee of the City of La Porte met on **Monday, March 30, 2015**, at the City Hall Council Chambers, 604 West Fairmont Parkway, La Porte, Texas, at **5:00 p.m.** to consider the following items of business:

1. Call to Order

Vice-Chairman Mike Clausen called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m. The following members of the Drainage and Flooding Committee were present: Councilmembers Chuck Engelken, Daryl Leonard, Jay Martin and Danny Earp. Staff Present: Traci Leach, Tim Tietjens, Sharon Harris and Bob Eng.

2. Authorizations

(a) Consider approval or other action regarding minutes of the Drainage and Flooding Committee Meeting held on January 16, 2012 – S. Harris

Committee Member Engelken moved to approve the minutes as presented. Committee Member Leonard seconded. **MOTION PASSED.**

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| Ayes: | Vice Chairman Clausen and Committee members Engelken, Martin, Leonard and Alternate Member Earp |
| Nays: | None |
| Absent: | None |

(b) Consider appointing a Chairman of the City of La Porte Drainage and Flooding Committee – S. Harris

Assistant City Secretary Sharon Harris presented a summary.

Committee Member Engelken moved to appoint Vice-Chairman Clausen to Chairman and Member Martin as Vice-Chairman of the Drainage and Flooding Committee. Committee Member Leonard seconded. **MOTION PASSED.**

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| Ayes: | Vice-Chairman Clausen and Committee members Engelken, Martin, Leonard and Alternate Member Earp |
| Nays: | None |
| Absent: | None |

3. Staff Reports

(a) Discussion of Drainage Projects in the City of La Porte – B. Eng

City Engineer/ Inspection Service Manager Bob Eng provided a summary for discussion of Drainage Projects and Administrative Drainage Projects in the City of La Porte.

F216 Phase II – Watershed Improvements (W. Madison St. to 450' South of W. Main St.)

City Engineer/Inspection Services Manager Bob Eng provided an update on the F216 Phase II – Watershed Improvements (W. Madison St. to 450' South of W. Main St.).

Vice-Chairman Martin asked the timeline for completion of the project. Mr. Eng responded he does not have a completion date and will have to advise the Committee at a later date.

N. P Street Culvert Replacement Project

City Engineer/Inspection Service Manager Bob Eng provided an update on the N. P Street Culvert Replacement Project. Alternate Member Earp asked how long it will take to provide the 20' maintenance easement on the east side of the existing ditch as per the request of Harris County Flood Control District. Mr. Eng responded a purchase order has been received recently and it will be done within the next two weeks.

N. D Street to Sens Road Ditch De-Silting Project

City Engineer/Inspection Service Manager Bob Eng provided an update on the N. D Street to Sens Road Ditch De-Silting project. There were no questions from Committee Members.

Browning/Golden Drainage Improvements Project

City Engineer/Inspection Service Manager Bob Eng provided an update on the Browning/Golden Drainage Improvements Project. Committee Member Leonard asked after re-grading the ditch and replacing culverts to facilitate drainage to N. P Street are there any foreseeable downstream or flooding problems with additional water flow in the area. Mr. Eng responded he does not anticipate any issues.

D Street Ultimate Outfall Project

City Engineer/Inspection Service Manager Bob Eng provided an update on the D Street Ultimate Outfall Project. Committee Member Martin asked if there are any plans for the empty acreage surrounding the project. Planning and Development Director Tim Tietjens responded the City has plans to partner with Trees for Houston and plant trees along the D Street ditch.

TX Dot/Broadway Remote Maintenance Contract

City Engineer/Inspection Service Manager Bob Eng provided an update on the TX Dot/Broadway Remote Maintenance Contract. Committee Member Martin asked if the culverts will be replaced. Mr. Eng responded yes. Committee Member Martin requested staff to investigate the process of filling the ditch from Pine Bluff south to Bayside Dr., and report back to the Committee.

CLP Bulkhead

City Engineer/Inspection Service Manager Bob Eng provided an update on the CLP Bulkhead at Happy Harbor. Committee Member Martin asked the total length of the waterfront property. Planning and Development Director Tim Tietjens responded roughly 300 or more feet not including Klein Retreat or any other property south.

S. 3rd Street Project (Fairmont to Main)

City Engineer/Inspection Service Manager Bob Eng provided an update on the S. 3rd Street (Fairmont to Main) Project. Chairman Clausen asked the expected completed date for the project. Public Works Director Dave Mick responded the end of summer 2015.

W. D Street Channel Improvements.

City Engineer/Inspection Service Manager Bob Eng provided an update on the W. D Street Channel Improvements Project. There were no questions from Committee Members.

W. D Street Channel Protection

City Engineer/Inspection Service Manager Bob Eng provided an update on the W. D Street Channel Protection Project. There were no questions from Committee Members.

F101 Drainage Channel (at Pipeline Corridor)

City Engineer/Inspection Service Manager Bob Eng provided an update on the F101 Drainage Channel (at Pipeline Corridor) Project. There were no questions from Committee Members.

Brookglen Detention Basins

City Engineer/Inspection Service Manager Bob Eng provided an update on the Brookglen Detention Basins Project.

Committee member Engelken asked for an update on the Brookglen Buy-Outs. Planning and Development Director Tim Tietjens responded all of the section in Gladwyne Court has been sold with the exception of one lot, and roughly thirteen other lots remaining north and south of Oakhaven; south of Ashwyne and east of Somerton. Committee member Engelken commented the maintenance issue of lots not being mowed by Harris County Flood Control District still exist and advised he has heard from several citizens regarding the issue. Committee member Engelken also commented he has concerns with Harris County Flood Control not complying with the City's local ordinances or FEMA's rules and directed staff to send a letter to the Department of Justice. In addition, Committee member Engelken advised a homeowner at 3315 would like to install a fence at their expense on Harris County Flood Control property in order to keep their property from being vandalized. Public Works Director Dave Mick advised he will contact Harris County Precinct 2 regarding the Interlocal Agreement for eight (8) mowing cycles to the Brookglen Subdivision parcels owned and maintained by Harris County Flood Control District.

Chairman Clausen agreed with Committee member Engelken and directed staff to add an item to a future City Council meeting to discuss sending a letter to the Justice Department regarding maintenance concerns of the Brookglen Buy-Out lots.

Sens Road Reconstruction

City Engineer/Inspection Service Manager Bob Eng provided an update on the Sens Road Reconstruction. Committee member Leonard asked if the relocation of utility lines are near completion. Mr. Eng responded he will get a projection date for completion and report back.

Pedestrian Bridge at Lakes at Fairmont Greens

City Engineer/Inspection Service Manager Bob Eng provided an update on the Pedestrian Bridge at Lakes at Fairmont Greens Project. Vice-Chairman Martin asked when the bridge is scheduled to arrive for construction. Mr. Eng responded he will confirm the arrival date for the bridge.

MS4 Permit

City Engineer/Inspection Service Manager Bob Eng provided an update on the MS4 Permit.

There were no questions from Committee Members.

4. Set date for next Drainage and Flooding Committee Meeting

Chairman Clausen advised the Committee members they need to meet on a regular basis and asked how often they wished to begin meeting. The Committee members agreed to meet quarterly and set the next meeting date tentatively for June 29, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

5. Committee Comments

Chairman Clausen and Committee member Engelken thanked City Engineer/ Inspection Service Manager Bob Eng for the update on Drainage Projects.

6. Adjourn

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Harris, Assistant City Secretary

Passed and approved on this 29th day of June 2015.

Chairman, Mike Clausen