

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MEETING
May 23, 2023 at 9:30 a.m., Meeting Room A – Administration Building

Item # 1 – Call meeting to order

Item # 2 - The Secretary called the Roll, with the following members present:

David J. Moore, Chair, Lorain County Commissioner
Michelle Hung, Secretary/Treasurer, Lorain County Commissioner
Jeff Riddell, Vice Chair, Lorain County Commissioner, absent

Staff:

Jeff Armbruster, County Administrator, absent
Don Romancak, Director
Peter Zwick, LC Engineer's Office
Greg Peltz, LCAPA
Theresa L. Upton, Secretary

Also present: Jessica Hozalski, Lyn Ickes & Matt Arnold, Stormwater Management District, Jason Pulmer, LCAPA, Matt Spears, Administrative Assistant to Commissioner Hung, John Gall, Administrative Assistant to Commissioner Riddell

Item #3 – Approval of minutes

Motion by Commissioner Moore, seconded by Commissioner Hung to approve the minutes of January 24, 2023 as submitted. Upon roll call the vote taken thereon resulted as: Ayes: Moore & Hung / Nays: None / Absent; Riddell
Motion carried. _____

Item #4 – Public Comment

There was none

Item #5 – New Business

a. 2023 Community Grants

Don Romancak said the following 5 projects will be under ORC 6117

2023	SWAC Community Grant Applications	May 2, 2023	Subcommittie	Recommendation		Available = \$425,000
RANK	PROJECT	Township	SCORE	COMMENT	REQUEST	Comm. Grant RECOMMEND
1	14596 Baird Rd. culvert replacement	Camden	81.8	Twp. 17%	\$ 13,470	\$ 13,470
2	East River Rd. replace tile to River	Carlisle	80.8	Twp. 20%	\$ 70,400	\$ 70,400
3	Murray Ridge & Griswold Rd. st. sewer	Elyria	79	Twp. 20%	\$ 72,000	\$ 72,000
4	Ph. 2 Battenhouse Main Ditch log jams	Amherst	78	Twp. 20%	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000
5	Ph.2 Extend Erhart Rd. Ditch southwest	Grafton	73	Twp. 0%	\$ 49,350	\$ 49,350
					Total	\$ 285,220
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He stated that there was a total of \$425,000 available and the projects that have been recommended by SWAC is \$285,200 and \$600,000 will be available for next year. He did mention it at the Township Association meeting and told the townships to prepare their applications for next year.

(discussion was held on the above)

b. Update on Mini Grants & Planning Grants

Don Romancak said there are 1 ½ grants in amount of \$50,000 and about \$35,000 is under contract now and will be done by end of June.

The planning grants have all be distributed, which are the funds that make up the applications for projects

He stated that the \$6.5 million in ARPA funds has helped facilitate a lot of the projects. Commissioner Moore asked if all money will be spent in the allotted time? Romancak said yes and will push the ARPA money and then backfill with district money. Out of the 34 projects, there are 9 under vendor contracts for around \$1 million _____ (discussion was held on the above)

Item #6 – Report of presiding officer(s), and/or director, or staff

There were none

Item #7 – Correspondence

There were none

Item #8 – Old Business**a. Seasonal Employees**

Don Romancak said he will be making a recommendation to the Commissioners for 1 new hire and 1 seasonal employee rate increase. There were 4 applications with 2 strong candidates and another already took a job _____ (discussion was held on the above)

b. Other

Peter Zwick gave an update on some projects;

1. Eaton Estates catch basin replacement projects (named “Mencl” easement) has been completed by Denes Concrete and storm sewer inlets are performing well at this time. Eaton Township sent an email thanking them for making this project successful.

2. ROSA Street storm sewer replacement, Kipton Village is about 95% complete by Buckeye Excavating, which was also part of a CDBG funded replacement and extension of rather old storm sewers inside the Village

3. Indian Hollow Rd, Grafton Township constructed in Penfield Township is 90% complete by N&N Construction Col, with OPWC and District funding

4. County Sanitary Engineer will be jetting the 2nd tile this summer in New Russia Township under East Hamilton Street _____ (discussion was held on the above)

9. Meetings

a. September 26, 2023 at 9:30 a.m., and then as needed

10. Adjournment

Moore moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 a.m., seconded by Hung. Upon roll call, the vote thereon resulted as: Ayes: Moore & Hung / Nays: None / Absent: Riddell

Motion carried. _____

Respectfully submitted; Theresa L. Upton – Records Custodian

Michelle Hung, Secretary/Treasurer, SWMD