

**UPPER ALLEN TOWNSHIP STORMWATER AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M.  
JANUARY 19, 2022**

**STORMWATER AUTHORITY BOARD**

James G. Cochran, Chairman  
Richard A. Castranio, Jr., Vice Chairman  
Jeffrey M. Walter, Treasurer (absent)  
Kenneth M. Martin, Secretary  
Ginnie M. Anderson, Asst. Secretary

**TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS**

Scott W. Fraser, Township Manager  
Kelly Palmer, Assistant Township Manager  
Jason Reichard, P.E., Township Engineer  
Jennifer Boyer, Comm. Development Dir.  
J. Stephen Feinour, Solicitor

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Cochran called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all. Roll call was taken by Mr. Fraser. Commissioner Walter was absent.

**CHAIRMAN’S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Secretary Martin made a **MOTION** to approve the Consent Agenda as follows, **SECONDED** by Assistant Secretary Anderson.

Approval of Minutes of December 15, 2021, Stormwater Authority Meeting

Consideration/Approval of Bills in the Amount of \$128,133.32 (December 2021) and \$6,349.70 (January 2022)

Consideration/Approval of Staff Reports

The motion carried unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **AUTHORITY MEMBERS' COMMENT**

Vice Chairman Castranio asked if John Sledzinski of 1304 S. Market Street was on our radar or whether we got back to them (from last meeting). Mr. Reichard said he was out and did a full walk thru from Lindenwood down through to the Sledzinski property. He said he met with him on-site and got a thorough understanding of the existing conditions and will write up a report and come back to the Board with his findings. He said a lot of the systems within Lindenwood are either non-functional or not sufficient. Chairman Cochran asked if the design was deficient, but Mr. Reichard could not answer until he gets the results. He said in Lindenwood there were three facilities full of sediment, there were spillways that were eroded, or outfall structures clogged and filled with debris. He said these are serious conditions that are existing, and some are in failure mode. Further down on the property there are several places of disrepair. At Mr.Sledzinski's property, he said there is a 15" culvert trying to take water from the entire watershed upstream. Mr. Reichard will do a writeup and look at the original land development plan to see what is going on there.

Chairman Cochran said stormwater issues are sometimes discussed at the Public Improvement Committee. He wondered if we have an inventory of stormwater facilities and a schedule for checking them. Mrs. Boyer said we have an inventory list and as far as she knows it is up to date. She said she will verify the last time Lindenwood was inspected. She said we do inspections with the inspection timeline required with the permit. She was not sure if these basins are maintained by the Homeowners Association or the Township, but will find out and give the information to Mr. Reichard, and that will determine what action we take. Vice Chairman Castranio said it is not maintained by the Township but may be individual lot owners' responsibility, in which case we can take enforcement action per Chairman Cochran. Secretary Martin said if we could from a staff perspective get on an annual routine or semiannual visual inspection schedule, it might be a proactive way to go.

Vice Chairman Castranio said our ordinance requires newer projects to submit that to us. It is the older ones we have to look at. Mrs. Boyer said it is not a requirement for projects older than 2013. Staff will look into the last inspection reports and what the outcomes were. Chairman Cochran said he would like to see us come up with at least an annual visual inspection of these. He asked if we follow up on those that were installed after 2013. Mrs. Boyer said when Mr. Barge goes out he visually inspects them even though they are supposed to be reporting themselves. Some people do not realize that they have to do more than mow. They don't realize they have to clean things out. Mr. Barge will work with them to help them understand. Vice Chairman Castranio said former MS4 employee, Megan McNamee, had something in process before she left but he will get with Ms. Boyer to resurrect it. He said they need to do what their permit says they are supposed to do. Chairman Cochran recalled one in Grantham down by the stream where they had to do a stormwater retention basin that did not appear to be functioning right and neighbors were complaining. Mrs. Boyer said Mr. Burge did go out and there was something that needed fixed and it was fixed to the point that it was functioning properly. Vice Chairman Castranio said that project has an operation and maintenance agreement with the Township so they are required to do

certain things under that agreement. Mrs. Boyer said she thinks that situation was completely rectified.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

There were no items for discussion.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Assistant Secretary Anderson made a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting at 6:09 p.m., **SECONDED** by Vice Chairman Castranio. The motion carried unanimously.