

MONROE COUNTY
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 9, 2022 at 3:00 PM
Nat U Hill Meeting Room
Hybrid Meeting with Virtual Attendance via Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT: Trohn Enright-Randolph, Penny Githens (chair), Julie Thomas, Lee Jones

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF: Kelsey Thetonia (MS4 Coordinator), TSD, Lynette Murphy (Stormwater)

OTHERS: Jane Martin (Lake Monroe Water Fund)

1. **Call to order by Penny Githens**
2. **Public input for items not on the agenda -- none.**
3. **Approval of Minutes from August 10, 2022: Motion to approve by Lee Jones; second by Trohn. VOTE: 4-0 AYE. Motion carried unanimously.**

4. **Stormwater Expenditure Reports for August and September 2022**

Kelsey Thetonia went through August expenditures, noting a large order for pipes. She said in the 30s there were expenditures for training and travel. She said there was an annual bill for Cartegraph software. She said we were very active with street sweeping. She said there was an expenditure for printing the stormwater calendars that are handed out every year.

She said in September, there were a few large fleet maintenance bills. She noted expenditures for training, disposal fees, fuel and Stipp Road engineering design. She said in October, there were expenditures for fleet maintenance, training and travel, flagging, disposal fees, and for Christopher Burke consultants. Trohn asked about ... the amount for the contract. Thetonia said an additional task for \$38,000 brought the contract amount to ... She said the report has been updated and the correct amount is there now. Julie Thomas said I wanted to note for the record and for the public, three huge projects are part of xxx proposal. She said if people are interested in that, they could keep in touch with their commissioner and council.

Githens asked if there was a motion to approve the monthly reports. **Motion by Jones to approve the three expenditure reports. VOTE: YES 4-0. Motion carried.**

5. **Old Business – none**
6. **New Business**
 - a. **MOU with Lake Monroe Water Fund for 2023 water monitoring activities - \$3500**

Motion by Jones to approve the 2023 water monitoring activities in the amount of \$3,500. Second by Trohn.

Jane Martin represented the Lake Monroe Water Fund. She said we have raised money for the Kurtz gage and SWMB has generously provided a match. She said you have provided \$3,500 each year for three years. She said I am asking if you will continue that for 2023. Githens said noting for the record that is for a single year. Trohn said water monitoring is quite expensive. He said it is nice to see a cost share; I think it is one of the most important things that we can do. Jones said I am also very much in support of this; Lake Monroe is our only source of water. Githens said I also am in favor of passing this memorandum. She asked if there was any public comment. She said seeing none, let's call the roll for the vote. **VOTE: 4-0. Motion passed unanimously.**

b. 2023 Meeting Schedule

Thetonia said there may be a possible conflict with September 13 since that is when the INAFSM conference is happening. Trohn said I think we can make that decision in August. **Motion by Thomas to approve the meeting schedule; second by Jones. VOTE: 4-0. Motion carried unanimously.**

c. Staff reports

Thetonia said she had a brief report. She said we were able to sell the Ford Focus. She said we have ordered a new tandem dump truck. She said we have ordered a Ford Maverick for about \$26,000 and it will serve our needs. She said our crews spent a week on South Shore Drive near Lake Lemon; they were able to stabilize about 150 feet of the causeway. She said I want to thank Toby and the Highway Department for paying for almost all of the materials; our stormwater crew did the work. She said that was good teamwork. She said I am looking at potentially applying for a DNR grant for logjam removal on Brummetts Creek. She said we have received several complaints from the public about the accumulation of woody debris. She said it is on the Army Corps property since it is backwaters for Lake Monroe. She said due to the fact that we have potential issues with road flooding and damages to nearby bridges, we want to make sure that the logjam is addressed.

She said if you have any questions on the Baby Creek Road or the Stipp/Moores Creek projects, just let me know. She said there would be a lot of tree removal this winter. Trohn commented that there is also a way to deal with log jams in the Drainage Code but we have preferred the stormwater method; if we need to utilize that resource, just let me know and I can work with you. Githens asked about the box culverts. Thetonia said we have specifically requested that the box culverts have at least 5 feet of vertical rise above the stream channel for ease of maintenance. She said that gives us enough space to remove any woody material. She said we have tried to take measures to reduce the risk of logjams.

7. Adjournment

Githens said the next meeting would be December 14. Meeting adjourned at approximately 3:30 pm.

Approved:

Signed:

Secretary:

Penny Githens, Chair