

**Storm Water Management and
Non-Point Pollution Mitigation Committee**
Meeting Minutes & Notes
Saturday, November 8, 2003
9:00 a.m.
Twin Lakes, Village Hall
Minutes

Meeting called to order by:	G. Wrench, Chairperson
Lake Committee members in attendance:	G. Wrench, Chairperson B. Robinson C. Saul, Writer J. Kennedy
Lake Committee member(s) not in attendance	J. Klokow M. Schmunk R. Polit G. Sobotka
Lake District Commissioner in attendance:	None
Others in attendance:	D. Griffin (trustee liaison) D. Stoen (trustee) M. Kolczaski (B & W) J. Jooss R. Dietrick J. Rukas

Motion(s) made:

Committee members requested that e-mail addresses and phone numbers be deleted from published minutes. No motions were made as a quorum was not present.	None
Other motion(s):	None
Secretary	C. Saul

Note: **Next meeting**
Date: **December 9, 2003**
Time: **7:00 P.M.**
Place: **Twin Lakes Village Hall, 108 Main Street**

Meeting Notes

Guest Presenter

- M. Kolczaski of Baxter & Woodman (B & W) presented an overview of the existing Twin Lakes storm water ordinance, suggested improvements to the ordinance, commented on development conditions at Whispering Oaks and identified current major storm water issues around the Village.
- M. Kolczaski distributed a summary of a recommended Wisconsin statute prepared by the WDNR and modeled after federal EPA language. He noted especially a change expanding construction permits from 5 acre sites down to 1 acre sites and enabling municipalities to act on behalf of the WDNR. The pending requirements would make local storm water management techniques more

stringent necessitating marking drains going into the lakes and providing dry checks for illicit discharges. He prepared and distributed a summary noting that currently the Twin Lakes ordinance focuses on the quantity of run-off, requiring that development sites not increase run-off as a result of improvements. He commented that the ordinance needs to be enhanced to address the quality of the storm water run off noting that the WDNR is dictating future unfunded mandates to substantially reduce sediment discharge by 80% by 2013. Committee members commented that such requirement would impact the Village of Twin Lakes, and since much of the Town of Randall is at a higher elevation than Twin Lakes, Randall controls would be especially strategic.

- M. Kolczaski committed to forward a copy of WDNR recommended ordinance language to the Committee. He also commented that encouraging developers to replace “curbs and gutters” with ditches would reduce run-off. **(Action: M. Kolczaski to provide ordinance language).**
- Regarding Whispering Oaks M. Kolczaski commented that the contractor has been reluctant to perform all erosion control measures despite regular requests by B & W. He noted that both rip rap and the sod was installed quite late, and that the detention basin was not performing as planned. Committee members present encouraged Trustee/Liaison D. Griffin to discuss this issue with Village officials and to exercise appropriate measures to enforce requirements. **(Action: D. Griffin to follow up).**
- J. Jooss noted that similar storm water ordinance language had been proposed in 1997, including lake buffer zones, although the measure was not passed. **(Action: J. Jooss committed to forward the previously recommended ordinance to the Committee).**
- J. Jooss also presented other storm water management recommendations which had been previously prepared by the Twin Lakes Planning and Protection Committee in September, 2001.
- G. Wrench commented that Village landscapers should be encouraged to use Best Management Practices (BMPs) in their local work.
- M. Kolczaski discussed the major storm water issues in the Village, specifically:
 - 1) need for detention at the southwest corner of Lake Elizabeth near Esch and Park to eliminate local, seasonal flooding and run-off.
 - 2) the now ineffective detention pond at Blueberry Hill
 - 3) the Stohr farm run-off in the vicinity of the Pink House
 - 4) run-off issues at Lance Drive and BayviewCommittee members present noted that the proposed Keefe development in Randall (340 units with annexation into Genoa City) would further contribute to the Esch and Park problem. Thus the potential development demands critical review.
- M. Kolczaski finally noted that the Village storm water plan was in final preparation by another firm and due for publication in late December.
- G. Wrench thanked M. Kolczaski for his time.

Old Business

A. Phosphorus fertilizer Sale –

B. Robinson requested clarification regarding who was responsible for publicizing the fertilizer sale. **(Action: G. Wrench to advise).**

B. Village storm water plan -

As noted during M. Kolczaski’s discussion, the plan is due for publication in late December at a cost of \$13,700. The plan was last updated in 1987.

C. Pink House flooding at Lake Mary –

During M. Kolczaski’s discussion, it was noted that this is one of the major local storm water issues, apparently requiring a retention pond and an increase in the size of the local storm sewer.

D. Agricultural grants –

R. Dietrick (local farm owner on west side of Lake Elizabeth) discussed an existing one acre pond on his farm which requires cleaning. He noted his willingness to clean the pond except that the DNR permit fees were prohibitively expensive. Committee members discussed the possibility of Village financial assistance, without conclusion.

E. Storm water Ordinances -

See M. Kolczaski's discussion above.

F. Indian Point channel –

No report, except J. Jooss noted that the Shore Line Stabilization Committee recommended to first stabilize the channel banks with appropriate plant material for two years to secure the banks prior to dredging, similar to a project at Eagle Lake. Jooss noted that Andy has been appointed team leader to investigate such a program. G. Wrench noted that G. Sobotka and R. Polit had previously presented a very different approach to the Storm Water Committee, and recommended that the two groups get together to caucus. **(Action: J. Jooss & G. Wrench to coordinate).**

G. Communication –

No discussion

New Business

A. Website –

J. Rukas presented the operating website to all present displaying the various links, committee meeting minute records, local photos and organization of the committees. Everyone present concurred that the website was a productive means of communication for all villagers. The website address, although not yet available on a full time basis is: <http://tlwnews.ath.cx:6000>.

B. Other Issues -

During the Committee discussion it was clarified that the Storm Water Management and Non-Point Pollution Mitigation Committee has eight voting members: G. Wrench, B. Robinson, C. Saul, J. Klokow, M. Schmunk, R. Polit, G. Sobotka and J. Kennedy. Further, D. Griffin, Trustee/Liaison is a non voting participant. Thus a committee quorum required a single majority of five members present. It was noted that since only four members were in attendance, motions could not be passed because of the lack of a Committee majority.

G Wrench commented that he had continued contact with T. Fisher of the WDNR regarding model ordinance language and the availability of grants. All present concurred that meeting with Mr. Fisher would be advantageous for the Storm Water Committee as well as other Lakes Committees participants.

G. Wrench agreed to attempt to set up such a meeting in January, 2004. **(Action: G. Wrench to arrange meeting).**

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 9 at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall.