

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
RIVER OAKS STORM WATER TASK FORCE (SWTF)
JUNE 21, 2016**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

JAMES MYRICK, CHAIRMAN, PLACE 6
STEVE SANDERS, PLACE 3
GREG HENDRICKSON, PLACE 4
JUSTIN WOODALL, PLACE 5 (AT 4:43 P.M.)
BRAD INGE, PLACE 7 (AT 4:39 P.M.)
MARVIN GREGORY, ALTERNATE #2
JOANN BUTLER, COUNCIL LIAISON

STAFF PRESENT:

SUSAN STEWART, RECORDING SECRETARY
CODE COMPLIANCE OFFICER BETH BLEVINS
CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER DEBRA VECHNAK
PUBLIC WORKS SECRETARY CASSIE CURRY

MEMBERS ABSENT:

PAT ALEXANDER, PLACE 2 (MEDICAL)
FABIAN NEATHERY, ALTERNATE #1 (MEDICAL)
JOHN PAUL JONES, ALTERNATE #3 (WORK CONFLICT)

1. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Chairman Myrick called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. on Tuesday, June 21, 2016 at the River Oaks City Hall, 4900 River Oaks Blvd., River Oaks, Texas 76114.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Member Hendrickson delivered the invocation. The pledges of allegiance to the United States and the Texas Flags were recited.

3. MEMBER ROLL CALL

Roll Call was recorded with Member Inge absent with no response, Members Neathery and Alexander absent due to medical reasons, and Members Jones and Woodall absent due to work conflicts. Member Inge arrived at 4:39 p.m.

4. APPROVE BOARD MINUTES

Member Hendrickson moved, seconded by Member Hendrickson, to accept May 17, 2016 Storm Water Task Force minutes. All voted "Aye."

5. UPDATE ON SCHIEME STORM WATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AS PRESENTED BY MJ THOMAS ENGINEERING

Mickey Thomas, MJ Thomas Engineering, stated that the surveyor field work is complete and the topographic information should be available in the next week. The plans should be ready in about 30-days. Mr. Thomas responded to an inquiry stating that the City Fort Worth would probably not increase the size of their channel. Mr. Thomas will call Fort Worth officials in flood plain management to set up discussion related to this issue.

No action was taken.

6. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ON 2016 SWTF BOARD APPOINTMENTS

CS Gregory stated that Members Alexander and Hendrickson have committed to continue to serve. CM Butler stated that Mayor Earwood would like to have a member of the finance committee on this board.

After brief discussion the board suggested that COE Debra Vechnak be appointed as a voting member and CCO Blevins be appointed as an alternate in place of the two previous code officers.

Member Sanders moved, seconded by Member Hendrickson, to accept Debra Vechnak as Place 5. All voted "Aye."

Member Sanders moved, seconded by Member Hendrickson, to accept Beth Blevins as an alternate member. All voted "Aye."

7. STAFF REPORT ON INSPIRATION LANE DRAINAGE AND PAVING IMPROVEMENTS

Mickey Thomas, MJ Thomas Engineering, reported meeting with the contractor to review the remaining issues. Mr. Thomas stated that he and CS Gregory had walked the street to view the bar ditch and found a flat spot near 1700 – 1704 Inspiration which appears to be in similar condition as it was prior to construction however if the contractor filled in the bar ditch with concrete, they will be required to return it to the existing state.

Linda Morgan, Inspiration Lane resident, stated that this is the first year she has seen water standing in the bar ditch. Ms. Morgan also noted that the water does not drain as it used to beginning at Miller. CS Gregory responded to a concern of Ms. Morgan stating that the Ryegrass was temporary and will be replaced with Bermuda.

Mr. Thomas will review archived photos to try to determine if one particular cut-out was done by the City or the contractor.

8. **WORKSHOP:** STORM WATER MANAGEMENT

Member Sanders reported a success career event at the elementary school and stated that promotional supplies are low.

CS Gregory stated that one objective is to continue with surveillance of the storm drains now that the camera has been repaired.

Chairman Myrick and Member Sanders will collect storm water samples.

Member Butler requested the process to increase the storm water rate be accelerated. Staff will obtain a list of surrounding city fees for reference.

Discussion occurred related to acquiring the storm water easements from the property owners. Mickey Thomas stated that the plan should be to start any improvements at the bottom of the

system. Staff will prepare a letter to be handed out to property owners. Mr. Thomas suggested knowing the limits of the easements prior to any attempt to acquire them. Mr. Thomas recommended using the City of Fort Worth's drainage plan which he can supply. CS Gregory and Mr. Thomas will review River Oaks Storm Water Management Plan which may need to be revised since it is 14 years old. CS Gregory stated that he is also meeting with TXDOT over stagnant water in front of some of the businesses on River Oaks Boulevard. CS Gregory mentioned the SWIFT grant which require plans in order to receive a grant. CS Gregory responded to an inquiry indicating that residential storm water fees total approximately \$10,000 per month with a total for all connections of about \$160,000 annually.

9. ACTION IF ANY FROM WORKSHOP

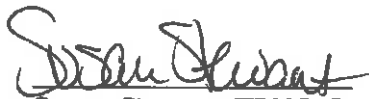
No formal action was taken. Board Members requested staff begin the process to consider increasing the storm water fees.

10. ADJOURNMENT

At 5:22 p.m. Member Sanders moved, seconded by Member Hendrickson, to adjourn the meeting. All voted "Aye."

APPROVED:

ATTEST:



Susan Stewart, TRMC, Recording Secretary



James Myrick, Chairman