

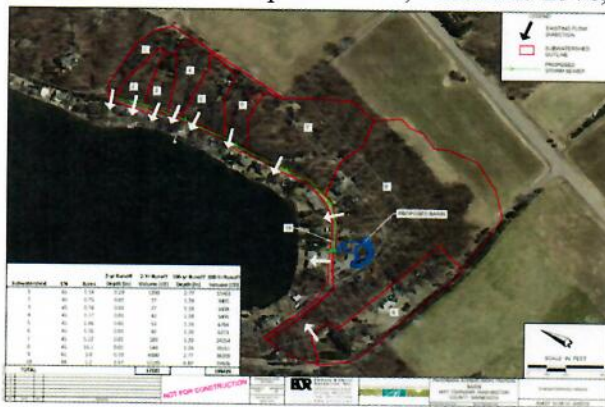
**TOWN of MAY  
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA  
OFFICIAL TOWN BOARD MINUTES  
March 15, 2022**

The Board of Supervisors of the Town of May convened a workshop on Tuesday, February 15, 2022, via virtual telephone/video conference. Those present included: Board members John Adams, John Pazlar, and Steve Magner; Clerk/Treasurer Linda Tibbetts; Engineer Project Manager Katie Koscielak; and Mike Isensee, Carl Almer and Wade Johnson from the Carnelian-Marine-St. Croix Watershed District. Chair Adams called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

Notice was posted on the township’s website and at the Town Hall more than 72 hours prior to March 15, 2022.

The sole purpose of the special meeting is to discuss the Panorama and 133<sup>rd</sup> Street Proposed Project.

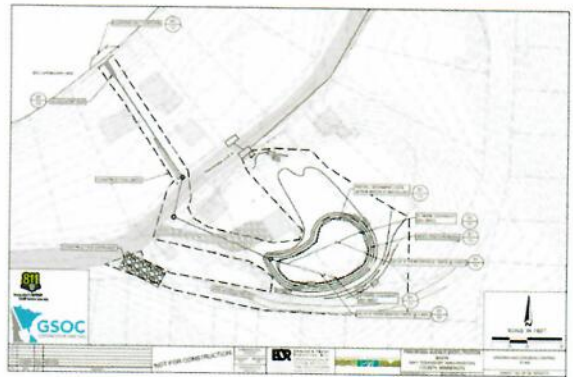
Isensee explained the original concept was that the cost of the road upgrade would be paid for by the township and the residents as a split, and the cost for the road stormwater would be split between the township and 25%, residents 25%, and WD at 50%. The basin would be paid for via



the township with 25%, the residents with 25% and the WD with 50%. Isensee explained it comes to 30% total for each party. These figures are from 2019. Since that time, the WD has worked on engineering designs and reports a majority is complete for the basin and the outlet piping with is based on survey work and soil borings. In 2020, Isensee asked the township for the WD’s ability to grade into the township right-of-way at the southern portion of the basin. During the construction process, the WD will need to obtain a ROW permit from the

township. Since 2021, the WD has been working on the final designs of the basin.

The WD applied for Clean Water Act grant for the 10,000 square foot basin and related stormwater piping. The WD will be “capturing” the main thirty-two acres of drainage area that is currently flowing into Lake Carnelian. The project will reduce seven pounds of total phosphorus and three pounds of total suspended solids that are discharging annually by diverting stormwater to the basin. Isensee said this was the second time the WD applied for this grant. The WD was awarded the grant the second time in the amount of



\$203,000 and expires on December 31, 2024. This includes a portion of the cost for the base of the stormwater piping. There is a matching requirement. The final work plan will be approved in May of 2022. The WD will not have access to the grant money until there is a Memorandum of Agreement between the WD and the township which outlines the plan and assurances.

During the development of the storm water basin design, the WD identified four landowners that the WD will need to secure easements. Isensee has been collaborating with the primary owner, the property where the basin will be located, and he feels it is likely this will move forward. However, Isensee is working on easement document drafting.



Isensee asked if easements will be needed from the township to install stormwater piping along the roadway. Koscielak will work with Tibbetts to get information and report back to Isensee.

Isensee needs an updated engineer's assessment on pricing from 2019. Koscielak will update these figures and getting back to Isensee.

Magner noted in 2019, the total for this project was estimated at \$387,824.20 and came out to \$128,000 for the township, \$128,000 for the residents effected, and \$130,000 for the WD. What will the \$203,000 grant the WD received cover? Isensee said the items the WD can "cost-share" are the road stormwater system, the basin, and basin stormwater system. All the components related to conveying and treating stormwater. The WD cannot participate in the cost for building the road. The WD is in receipt of a Resolution issued by the township in 2021 that requested that the district consider payment for a larger portion of the stormwater cost. With an updated cost estimate, Isensee said discussing cost-share would be more appropriate as opposed to now with inaccurate figures. Depending on how much the road construction cost, it might not be feasible for the WD to cover two-third of the total project costs.

A couple of years back the WD worked with Scandia on a project at Log House Landing. Pazlar asked if that road was first slated to be paved as well as the stormwater management? How were road costs managed with that project? Isensee responded he will research and come back to the township with a response.

Pazlar would like to see a fresh discussion around this project once the new figures are completed. This is a sizable project for the township. Originally, this was a small road project without stormwater control and residents of the roadway were polled and discussions were had regarding property assessments for the cost of the project. Pazlar reminded those at the meeting the township must levy for funds over time to have the appropriate funding for projects of paving. What started as a paving project, has turned into a major undertaking. It is critical for the township to know the bottom-line costs before they can comment or move forward.

Approximately sixteen property owners along the roadway would be considered for assessment. Magner would like to have final figures to determine the amount and, he would like to see which properties along the roadway and whether there are any associations involved. The paving of the

roadway would start at where the existing asphalt ends at the bottom of the hill and wrapping around and going to the end of the township easement stopping where the private road starts.

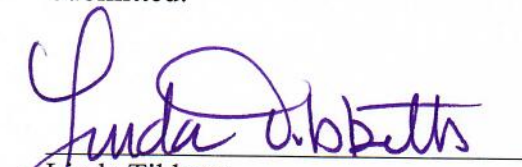
The paving of the road is not necessarily the tipping point of whether the project moves forward according to Isensee. The WD could move forward with the installation of the stormwater management and do a sediment free chip layer on the roadway and still be able to address drainage issues to the lake. Isensee said it would be more difficult, but if the paving costs become the issue for the project, there are “work arounds.”

Isensee said the timeline for the project would be Memorandum of Agreement and easements completed by October 2022; construction documentation completed November 2022 – July 2023; project bidding October 2023; project construction starts May 2024; contractor completion October 2024; and vegetation establishment period 2025-2026.


Magner volunteered to be the contact from the township to work with the WD on the project moving forward. Tibbetts will send Magner a copy of all documents she has in her possession on the project.

Meeting ended at 2:02 p.m. without objection.

Submitted:

  
Linda Tibbetts  
Clerk/Treasurer

Approved:

  
John Adams  
Board Chair