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## ZIONSVILLE STREET AND STORMWATER DEPARTMENT

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### STREET AND STORMWATER DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 2014

#### 1. **STORMWATER PERMIT ACTIVITIES**

- Routine inspections of seven (7) Rule 5-permitted construction sites.
- Continued with the implementation of stormwater permitting requirements in accordance with the revised Stormwater Ordinance and Technical Standards Manual. Stormwater permit fees went into effect on March 11, 2014. Emailed notice to 200 developers and other construction professionals regarding the implementation of individual lot permit requirements and fees, effective June 2, 2014.
- Contracted with a street sweeping service provider to supplement in-house efforts. Over 50 total curb miles have been swept in the rural and urban service districts and approximately 84 cubic yards of material removed from streets.
- Conducted semi-annual stormwater facility assessments at Fire Station 92, the Zionsville Golf Course and the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The purpose of the assessments is to determine if the individual Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans are being properly implemented at each facility.
- Administered training to three (3) Wastewater Department staff for Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (MCM 3) and Good Housekeeping Pollution Prevention (MCM 6).

#### 2. **STORMWATER MANAGEMENT BOARD**

No Activity.

#### 3. **STORMWATER PROJECTS AND DRAINAGE**

- Working with property owners in two (2) locations to acquire easements to facilitate the eventual replacement of failing or deficient storm sewers.
- Contracted for the cleaning and televising of 1600 linear feet of storm sewer in the Village residential area to restore system capacity and to identify areas where future repairs may be necessary. Approximately 5 cubic yards of debris was removed from pipes and other structures.

4. **FIRST STREET PROJECT**

With the completion of the Sycamore/Main Street intersection study by A&F Engineering, the resulting intersection configuration has been provided to the design engineers for this project, VS Engineering, for incorporation. Once completed, the design development plans will be reviewed by the Infrastructure Committee.

5. **BENNETT PARKWAY EXTENSION PROJECT**

Pending favorable weather, pathway construction is expected to begin the first week of May and conclude on May 20<sup>th</sup>; this is the last remaining activity for the project. At the request of the RDC, the contractor has been asked to provide a cost estimate to provide and install an emergency alert siren along the southern end of this project to provide service to the Hoosier Village retirement community to the south.

6. **FORD ROAD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS**

As indicated in the April 27, 2014 press release, this project has been delayed until 2015. This delay is a result of significant difficulties experienced in the acquisition of an essential property which has been foreclosed upon and is now bank-owned and controlled. Due to the expected length of time anticipated to obtain the property, there would not be sufficient time left in the 2014 construction season to complete the project. Additionally, all construction activities would occur during the school year resulting in significant impacts to the operations and management of the school's transportation system as well as student and faculty drivers. The final parcel needed was purchased by the bank at the sheriff's auction on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Immediately following this on April 4<sup>th</sup>, an offer to purchase was provided to the attorney for Fannie Mae thus starting their 30-day period to respond. No response has yet been received, and all other necessary parcels have been secured.

The tentative, revised schedule contemplates a fall 2014 re-bidding of this project with construction expected to begin in spring 2015. It is not expected that the cost of the project will increase due to this delay. Until that time, utility companies may be doing work in the area to relocate their facilities in advance of the roadway construction.

7. **SPRING BRUSH AND LIMB COLLECTION**

The spring round of brush and limb collection for Zionsville residents in the urban district is ongoing and will be completed on-schedule, ending on May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

8. **ANNUAL HEAVY TRASH COLLECTION**

The annual collection of heavy trash items for Zionsville residents in the urban service district will begin the week of May 12<sup>th</sup>. This is an opportunity for residents to dispose of non-hazardous household items that are not normally collected with their weekly trash service. Collection will again be on residents' regular trash day during this week. Information and details has been posted on the Town's web-site and has been provided to the Times Sentinel, and people may contact the Street and Stormwater Department directly for this information as well.

The appliance recycling company utilized in years past is no longer in business. However, an alternate company has been identified and will provide similar services with the exception that they cannot accept televisions. Arrangements have been made with Ray's Trash Service to accept this type of equipment, and residents should not notice any variations from past service levels.

**9. 2014 STREET REPAIR PROGRAM**

Development of this year's street rehab program is underway. Preliminary streets identified for repair work in 2014 include:

- Portions of Greenthread Drive
- Bentley Drive
- East-west alley between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Streets ½ block south of Ash St.
- Elm St. north of Willow St.
- Hawthorne St. between 6<sup>th</sup> St. and Laurel Ave.
- Concord Circle

Once the cost estimates are completed for the above street segments, additional roadways will be included as the budget allows.

**10. FEDERAL PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FOR 2014 WINTER WEATHER**

Boone County and its municipalities have been included in the Presidential Declaration awarding public assistance in the form of cost reimbursement for weather-related activities associated with the arctic blast experienced in early January. The town submitted preliminary estimates back in February, and is therefore eligible for this funding. An Applicant Briefing webinar has been scheduled for May 8<sup>th</sup>, and the Superintendent will attend, as well as prepare and submit the information on behalf of the town throughout the process.

**11. BUDGET REPORT**

The first quarter budget report has been submitted for both the Street and Stormwater Departments. There are no issues to report on the Stormwater budget, but the Street budget has taken several hits due to the harsh winter season. Two line items were most affected, Overtime and Equipment Repair and Maintenance. However, currently, it is expected that these line-item overruns will be accommodated within the approved budget and no additional appropriations will be necessary.