



ZIONSVILLE STREET AND STORMWATER DEPARTMENT

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STREET AND STORMWATER DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 2013

1. **STORMWATER PERMIT ACTIVITIES**

- Coordinated two (2) preconstruction meetings for Rule-5 permitted construction projects.
- Routine inspections of sixteen (16) Rule 5-permitted construction sites were conducted last month.
- Reviewed Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans and provided comment on two (2) Rule-5 permitted development project plan submittals.
- Met with Therese Burkhard of the Zion Nature Center to discuss 2013 educational program collaboration opportunities.
- Worked with Parks Superintendent and U.S. Geological Survey on a Five Star and Urban Waters funding application that would provide money for ecological restoration projects and provide opportunities for public education and participation.
- Met with WTH Engineering to link storm sewer televising videos and outfall screening imagery to storm infrastructure features in ThinkGIS.

2. **STORMWATER MANAGEMENT BOARD**

The Board met on January 10th to consider input that was provided by the Town Council at their January 7th meeting regarding the proposed stormwater utility fee. Of the items discussed, the Board agreed that a rural and urban rate differential was worthy of additional investigation as a possible compromise with the Council. President Patel directed staff to investigate a defensible urban and rural service district delineation methodology that could be effectively administered and reflected in the stormwater rate.

3. **FIRST STREET PROJECT**

Nine (9) additional property/business owners have been identified for individual meetings to review proposed changes. The consultant on the project VS Engineering, Inc. is currently scheduling and meeting with these entities. Upon completion of this series of meetings, an additional public meeting will be scheduled to present the final design development plans.

A project web site has been developed for this project, and the layout may be viewed at www.reasite.com/firststreet/. Revisions to this project are forthcoming.

4. Road Impact Fee Update

The study committee met November 1st to review and recommend updates to the Town's traffic impact fee as required by state statute. The committee did not schedule its next meeting at the direction of the consultant, A&F Engineering, to allow them time to run traffic models. Upon completion of the models showing future traffic demand, the committee will reconvene.

5. SYCAMORE ST. PATHWAY EXTENSION

A preliminary route/design has been developed by the Town Engineer and is being reviewed by staff. Although the alignment is established, a question as to the use of a retaining wall system or a boardwalk system is the major factor under consideration.

6. TREE SURVEY AND INVENTORY STUDY

Phase II of this project will begin in February, with the identifying and evaluating of additional trees within public rights-of-way. Currently contemplated as additional study areas are the subdivisions of Raintree, Northern Meadows, Century Oaks, North Hills, Timber Ridge, Colony Woods and Sugarbush.

7. 121ST ST. CLOSURE

The start of this project has been delayed until the end of February, when 121st St. (aka Greenfield Rd.) between Michigan Rd. and the Hamilton County line will be closed to through-traffic to allow Clay Township Regional Waste District to re-route a sanitary sewer line underneath it. Local access to residences will be maintained, as well as for school buses, trash trucks and emergency vehicles. This has been posted to the Town's web site and will be updated as additional information is obtained.

8. OAK ST. SPEED LIMIT STUDY

Speed data has been collected and summarized for the stretch of Oak St. and W. Oak St. (former SR 334) within Zionsville's jurisdiction from CR 950 E. to the west to Zionsville's corporate boundary near the Stonegate subdivision. Data from this study, along with recommended speeds for the various segments of the aforementioned road will be presented to the Safety Board for discussion as soon as it is complete.

9. OAK STREET CROSSWALK

Installation has begun on the crosswalk flashers along Oak St. and its intersection with Fifth St. All signage is expected to be completed by mid-February, but the pavement markings and possible modifications to the sidewalk ramps will necessarily be delayed until warmer weather arrives in the spring.