



Storm Water Commission
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MINUTES OF THE STORMWATER COMMISSION January 3, 2023

Call to Order. The twenty-ninth meeting of the Stormwater Commission (Commission) was called to order at 6:31 PM by Chair Todd Thompson.

1. **Attendance-Roll Call.** The following Commission members were present at the Community Center: Garry Aronberg, Robert Criss, Mark Holly, Eric Karch, Eric Stein, Todd Thompson. Also in attendance were; Tim Cusick, Councilman, Gene Kuelker Acting Assist Director of Publics Works; John Mulligan, City Attorney.
2. **Agenda.** The following modified agenda was approved by voice vote (Messrs. Karch, Holly):
Roll Call; Approval of Agenda; Old Business; Approval of Minutes; Announcements by Commissioners; Citizen Comments New Business; Committee Reports; Council Liaison Comments; Adjournment. (without objections)
3. **Minutes.** The minutes of the December 6, 2022, Commission meeting were approved without changes by voice vote (Messrs. Holly, Stein).
4. **Announcements from the Commissioners.**
 - Messrs. Thompson, Stein, Criss acknowledged with sadness the announcement of Paulette Carr's passing. Further, they acknowledged the vision and leadership of Paulette Carr on stormwater damage mitigation efforts in University City.
 - Commissioners Criss and Holly are making a presentation on the extent of flooding and suggestions for mitigation at the next work session (1/9/23, 5:30 PM, City Hall).
5. **New Business.**
 - None
6. **Old Business.**
 - Mr. Kuelker: IT manager, has been hired. A communication director will join the staff soon.
 - The Commission's Communication Committee will arrange a meeting with the IT manager.
 - Flood Damage Record:
 - Tim Scott gave us list of condemnations by addresses but no other info for July 2022 flood. Mark Holly has that condemnation data from previous floods in GIS database.
 - After discussion, **the Commission urges City to establish a preloaded standardized record system for post-flood record keeping.**
7. **Citizen Comments.**
 - No guest speakers
 - Guests: Tom Sullivan: 751 Syracuse
8. **New Business.**
 - none



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9. Subcommittee Reports.

- Early Warning – Mr. Stein:
 - Commission is still waiting for City to implement Code Red connection with early warning.
 - Seems to be taking a long time:
 - City officials' loss of focus;
 - Disagreement with Code Red vendor regarding confusing warning wording standards.
 - Rain Gage vendor is preparing an averaging routine to ease evaluation of storm intensity.
- Monitoring – Messrs. Holly and Criss:
 - Developing budget recommendations for continuing water level monitoring.
 - **U City should ask MSD and USGS to report data as recorded without delay.**
 - There are fewer gauges in RdP than Deer Creek watershed but values of losses in RdP watershed may be higher than in Deer Creek.
- Communication – Mr. Karch announcing and leading a general discussion.
 - Self-help public presentation has been prepared. After editing ready of presentation. Will now set dates and site.
 - Other topics have not been developed yet.
 - **Mr. Mulligan will identify the meeting room reservation process and inform Mr. Karch.**
 - Publicize presentations through Roars, Councilmembers emails, City Web Page, Electronic Bulletin board. There is apparently no budget for direct mail to the 600 homeowners in the RdP floodplain.
 - Criss and Holly will present at a work session January 9 as discussed in Old Business Section.

10. Councilman Cusick Comments.

- Will keep us posted about new business developments and Carr Memorial.

11. Adjournment. Motion to adjourn made at 8:01 PM (Holly, Thompson). Motion passed.

Minutes Preparation. The minutes were prepared by Garry Aronberg.

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