

# YORKVILLE STORM WATER UTILITY COMMISSION

## MEETING MINUTES

May 7, 2015

Chairman Steve Nelson called the meeting of the YSWUC to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Chairman Nelson, Town Supervisor Sherry Gruhn, Tom Lauber, John Vyvyan, Robert Root, Neil Buchanan and Jason Christensen.

Minutes from the April 9, 2015 meeting were approved on motion by Tom Lauber, seconded by Robert Root and carried.

Jason Christensen discussed the punch list he created with items that Shawn Roberts needs to complete before we will release final payment. He indicated that the area between Braun Road and KR had been cleaned up. The Coldren property was also cleaned up. The Drinkwater property still has one last row of logs that needs to be removed and then the lawn needs to be restored. Shawn will be starting to clean up the Skewes property Monday (May 11). Once the punch list has been completed and Jason feels all is OK, Steve will release permission for final payment to be made to Shawn. Should be in the next couple weeks. There was some discussion regarding Barbara Plantamura property. She is asking for reimbursement for some work that she feels was not done to her satisfaction. One being some minor landscaping (\$200); a fence that needs minor repair (\$150); and some wood that Shawn removed (\$300). After discussion, it was determined we would reimburse for the landscaping and the fence for a total of \$350. We would NOT reimburse for any wood as there is a lot wood available and we will return the amount Shawn took back to her. Jason will talk to her and we will get a check to her for the \$350.00. This was approved on motion by Neil Buchanan and seconded by Robert Root and carried.

Jason informed us that Tim DeGarmo has planted some trees on the top of the bank about 10 ft. back from the top of the canal. He has them marked with flags, however, when we start to do some spraying we will have to watch this area and try not to disturb these plantings.

There are still some piles north of Hwy. 11 that needs to be cleared away. Kay Friesma has cleaned her property so there should be no need for us to do anything additional there. The only property left is the Neil Young property (which we will try to get done later this year), and the Baylen property which we may need to have something done legally in order to get on to her property to get any clearing done. It would be nice to get this done without having to do permits or easements.

Larry Strickland (Stonecrest Shores subdivision), contacted Steve and Steve will be calling him to see what it is that he wants. Might have something to do with spraying. Jason will contact Don North to get him to schedule spraying of the first 2 years of work. Hopefully, Shawn will spray the area that was done this year. We will be sending a letter to ALL landowners, with the exception of Young, Baylen, Friesma, and Plantamura, advising them of our annual spraying. Will try to get this letter out week of May 11.

There is a wood bridge on the Wilks property north of 50th Road that will need to be removed as it is catching debris from the canal. Steve will talk to Al Wilks to see if he will remove it.

Jason contacted the DNR and advised them that we were done with work for this year. There is still work being done for clean up, but no new cutting is being done at this time. We wanted to let them know, and Jason will ask for a 1 year extension so we can finish the Young property this fall when crops are off the fields. We will ask for quotes on this portion of work later in the year. We will also see if we can convince Kevin Whitley to talk to Neil Young to have him give approval for this clearing to be completed.

An invoice from NMB in the amount of \$2485.06 was approved for payment on a motion by John Vyvyan, seconded by Tom Lauber and carried.

We are looking for someone to fill the position on the commission that was vacated by Art Green's death. The name of Bruce Funk was brought up. John Vyvyan will contact him to see if he is interested and report back.

No new meeting was scheduled. We will wait to see how things go through the next couple months. A notice will be sent out when/if we need to schedule a meeting.

No other business came before the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. on a motion by John Vyvyan, seconded by Robert Root and carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sherry Gruhn, Secretary