

**Richlawn City Commission
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
April 16, 2018**

Started at 1935 Ended at 2058

In Attendance:

Steve Wilkerson-Commissioner
Jeremy Clark-Commissioner and Chair of Meeting
Ian Cassidy-Commissioner
Steve Porter-City Attorney

Alicia Nordmann-Mayor, listening and providing input by phone.

Charles "Chad" McCormick-Land Design & Development, Inc.
Joseph Exely-MSD

Rae Taylor-Resident at 214 Gibson Road
Jack,Julie, and Neil Cornell-Residents at [212 Don Allen Road](#)

Open Session: Joe Exely explains history of drainage in Richlawn. There is not a history available of who installed the dry well system in Richlawn. MSD only tasked with surface drainage in 1986 and MSD is still learning about areas as flooding issues come to their attention. Discussed our flooding issues of 2015 which lead to the study of three options which are on the Richlawn website. We are surrounded by City of St Matthews which manages its own flood system and Shelbyville Road system is at capacity or beyond. MSD has chosen test well options.

Chad McCormick and Joe Exely continued discussing the project in further detail. They provided packet to be included in record for 4 test wells. Holes will be dug 60 to 100 feet to see what happens. There is no guarantee of success for several reasons: there might just be a solid rock bed without voids, the water table could be reached early and thus not provide a place for water to flow,etc. If the drilling up to 100 feet is successful, water from fire hydrants would be put into holes to see if the holes could accept drain water. If successful, the holes would be filled with a pipe and capped sticking up from the ground 6 inches. Then information would be submitted to the EPA for up to 3 months of review. Details of this review were provided and can be explained by the two men.

Cornells asked questions to include how drilling would affect their home, concern about drilling near water main, why their property was chosen, possible sink hole creation, water table issues and water in soil for plants, and how they would be affected if different property was chosen. Answers to questions included marking of utilities will avoid water main, the home was chosen due to current drain system providing some relief indication voids are in that area, MSD would choose another location if Cornells had concerns, the hole would not affect water table, drainage issues would not change with test wells or affect current plant root systems and the ability to absorb water.

Chad and Joe responded MSD will repair lawn damage, there are risks associated with the test well which are included in the packet, cannot guarantee that sink holes will not develop, MSD does not know where current system horizontal pipes were routed and they did run cameras and ran into blockages.

Chad drew diagram of how a fully installed system. (Ian's notes contain diagrams)

Steve Porter provided history of flooding starting from his home purchase in the late 1960s.

If system is successful and installed, MSD would maintain. Approximately 100 holes would be dug and two or three homes would route surface drainage to each hole.

Joe Exely stated surface flooding events should be reported to MSD via phone calls to Customer Service 502 540 6000 or Metro Call at 311. A report can also be submitted via the website louisvillemsd.org. All three methods are used to document flooding and help allocate funds to improve flooding issues.

Chad McCormick asked the Cornell Family to provide him with an answer by Friday April 20,2018 if they would like to have the drill site on their property moved to another location. Business cards with contact information were provided by the two men.

Rae Taylor asked why his early tax check has not cleared. Ian Cassidy responded that he is in the same situation. A flooding event occurred at the Treasurer's home and he is still accounting for checks. In worst case, we the city may have to ask residents to submit another check; this check will be at the tax rate of the originally submitted check.

April financial report and March minutes will be postponed until the May Meeting. Our Treasurer has an accounting business and the busy tax season was a higher priority. Jeremy Clark noted he was still awaiting delivery of the February 2018 minutes to be posted on the city's website.

Steve Porter reported Louisville Metro Government and CSX RR are arguing about the tree removal by the RR tracks on Hubbards Lane. Walmart will be changing parking and delivery systems, but Walmart will not change any lighting to affect our City.

Steve Wilkerson reported the replacement of the Heady Ave sign is in progress. Front entrance project is complete. A proposal to replace dead plants was suggested. Ian Cassidy made a motion to approve the project. Jeremy Clark seconded. All voted in favor.

Jeremy Clark reported he has more updates to website. Still making a few corrections to the Spring issue of the Gazette. Lady's Night of Richlawn suggests summer lawn contest to promote appearance of yards in Richlawn.

Andy Carpenter submitted email to mention for the record that he is still working on Richlawn Road repair project.

Ian Cassidy will reach out to [124 Don Allen](#) resident Kristi Jo Jedlicki to ensure all residents with test wells are aware of the project.

The Mayor via phone asked for all flags not located on test well properties be removed. Jeremy Clark verified this was complete in the area near his home. Mayor proposed painting of sign posts at \$10 per post to make them uniform in appearance. Ian Cassidy made a motion and Steve Wilkerson seconded. All voted in favor.

Commissioners will have first reading of next fiscal year budget at the May meeting.

Steve Wilkerson motioned to conclude April meeting and Ian Cassidy seconded. All voted in favor.