

YORK TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES

Colene Conley
Special Meeting

Richard Monroe

William Pavlick
August 19, 2014

Chairman Rick Monroe called the special meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the SR 18 Drainage Study that ODOT had performed. Representatives from ODOT, Richland Engineering, Co. Engineer's Office and the Prosecutor's Office were present as well as several residents. Rick then turned the meeting over to Allen Biehl, ODOT District 3 Deputy Director.

Allen then explained there would be three sections to the meeting – Managing Expectations, Review the Study on Drainage and Where do we do from here?

Managing Expectations: Allen referred to an article regarding the Great Lakes rising in general and that we have gotten into a wet weather pattern. The May 12th rain event is one that happens once every 150 – 200 years receiving 3" of rain in an 80 minute timeframe.

Review of the Drainage Study:

- Most of the pipe was installed in the mid-40's and are 12". Four homes with footers draining into it will fill it.
- We design for a 10 year storm and/or 25 year hydraulic lift.
- Cameras were put down pipes where they could – along south side of SR 18; couldn't get them down on the north side.
- Richland Engineering started with contour maps that ODOT has; did some field work; found the pipes to be 12" or 15"; pipes were smooth flow pipe so that does make them efficient and allow the water to flow easily.
- East end had some stubs into it making some cleaning difficult.
- Each catch basin has an inlet into it.
- Not enough capacity in the storm sewer for a 10 yr. storm since pretty flat.
 - 25 yr. storm also exceeded
 - 2 yr. storm also at capacity
- What size would it take to work in a 10 yr. storm? Two alternatives to see what would work
- East side of SR 252 has the storm sewer under the pavement
- Study area included the area from 700' east of SR 252 to 1200' west of SR 252 where the outlet is.
- ODOT jet-vacuumed the storm sewer and televised on the south side; most joints in disrepair.
 - Sludge & sediments get in pipe so without addressing that problem, a new pipe would have the same problems.

Where to Go from Here:

- ODOT will replace the pipe. Will need to look at a single pipe or double like here presently.
- Need to acquire right-of-way.
- Cost will help determine when it will be done.
- Will be a collaborative effort with the County & Township.
- Don't know when it will go to construction since there is more work to be done.
- ODOT will regularly come out to jet vac the pipes since we know we have a unique situation here.

Comments/Concerns:

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Don Dobson – cleaned an outlet on the east end of the study area; Rail trail is higher than SR 18 and some garage floors so helping create retention ponds. If the Park District would put in 2-36” pipes, it could help drain the water.

Allen Biehl – clarified they don’t want to fix a problem here in town and create a problem elsewhere.

Bill Charnigo, 6741 Norwalk Road – At west end of study area so doesn’t want to have a fix that will cause me more problems.

Bill Nottingham, 3957 Lampson St. – 2 years ago, the Co. came down Columbia Road from Stone cleaning the ditches with the water deadheading into Water St. and then go across my back yard; have only been able to mow twice this summer; Water includes sewer water for my kids to play in; The ditch hasn’t been cleaned in 10 years; big jam up at Columbia and Water Sts.; grew up in the house next door so in 30 years never had this happen until the County cleaned the Columbia Rd. ditches.

Judy Schneider, 3560 Columbia Road – north of SR 18; pond in front yard; flooding the yard; Matt Simon from the Medina ODOT office will look at it.

Beth Fendura, Columbia Road south of SR 18 – worse situation since Columbia Road ditches were cleaned and deepened with more water draining down.

Jackie Goldsmith, 6567 Norwalk Road – Problem is in all directions from the intersection, so will all parties work together? She was told yes, there are more studies to follow.

Allen Biehl – no drainage systems are designed to handle huge rain events; will probably have at least one public hearing; again, don’t want to correct the problem in one area and create a problem in another area.

Ron Jennings, 6517 Norwalk Road – Don Dobson cleaned my outlet yesterday; Health issues are being created; mosquito issues; mold growing in homes from all the water; I ask for a temporary fix/solution to minimize some of these water issues. The water was so high that it was wicking up through the carpeting.

Hellmers, 3927 Beck Road – May 12th rain moved the concrete barriers holding my bridge; there are fallen trees on the neighbor’s property blocking the flow; He was told that it was a private matter between him and the neighbor.

Rillon, 7230 Norwalk Road – last two storms came from fields/hillside and across SR 18; Matt Simon from Medina ODOT will check it.

Dan Lenarth, 6585 Norwalk Road – lived here 51 years and never saw rain like these last two; in the 60’s/70’s, ditches were cleaned but don’t know who; never had a water problem until the waterline was installed.

Tom Karris, Co. Pros.’s Office – Need to look at the cause of a problem; if it is on private property, the government agency doesn’t have the authority to go on private property.

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Lisa Jennings, 6517 Norwalk Road – How many different outlets are coming into SR 18?
There was water in the glove box of my car.

Don Dobson – asked Andy Conrad why the church could do what they did to create water problems; Andy will look at the permits.

Lisa Jennings – expressed many concerns with water problems; come to my house when it is storming to see where the water is coming from; why can't the various jurisdictions work together?

Allen Biehl – Explained the procedure of how jurisdictions may or may not be required; we have multiple problem areas and ODOT, County, Park District, Township and homeowners will need to work together.

Victor & Shirley Thomas, 3520 Columbia Road – north of SR 18 and getting water from field around them and it is getting hard to mow.

Nadine Davis, 3663 Columbia Road – north of SR 18; live on the east side; where does the water come from? Had 2' water in my basement; someone from ODOT cleaned the ditch and it worked; Tony Banks from ODOT told me he's replace my drive gravel if it happened again; Nadine was told the water goes to Lester Road; her drive pipe is 12" and doesn't take the water; Matt from ODOT will check it.

Amy Missler, 3540 Columbia Road – north of SR 18; lived here 35 years; past 2 rains were the worst; gave ODOT pictures of three adjoining properties and the water issue; no back slope on the ditches; where will the water flow when the round a-bout goes in?

Rich Calabrese, 6496 Norwalk Road – water under SR 18; Andy explained how stormwater works; Rich asked Any if they talked with ODOT before doing Columbia Road; Andy stated no, since hits private property before reaching SR 18. Rick Monroe explained to Rich that the township has a good working relationship with the county and state.

Dianne Adkins, 3958 Columbia Road – corner of Water & Columbia with yard under water also.

Dave Hull, 6471 Spieth Road – ODOT mentioned can't go on private property, but the round a-bout will; how is that? Easements will be obtained.

Jamie Politowicz, 6533 Norwalk Road – where will the culvert be? ODOT reaffirmed that more studies will need to be completed first. Jamie then asked if a California culvert would be done to slow down the water; response was it didn't sound like we wanted to slow down the water.

Colene Conley – spoke with Tom James of the Park District who couldn't come this evening; he said to let him know what he needs to do; she will make an appointment with him and Don Dobson.

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Nadine Davis, 3663 Columbia Road – asked about what the project entails; Allen Biehl stated they'll need to discuss the comments and concerns expressed this evening to see if the scope needs to be changed.

RESOLUTION #14-08-04– Adjourn

Moved by Conley, second by Pavlick to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Roll: Conley, yes; Pavlick, yes; Monroe, yes.

Rick Monroe, Chairman

Bev Fry, Fiscal Officer