

**TOWN OF NEWSTEAD DRAINAGE BOARD**  
**MINUTES OF August 21, 2007**

Members Present: Don Kreher  
Dan Kowalik  
Mike Rushok  
Jim DeYoung  
Bob Wideman

Others: Justin Rooney  
Mike Bassanello – Highway Superintendent  
Carl Klingenschmitt – CAC  
Ken Koehler - CAC  
Scott Rybarczyk – Town Engineer  
Jennifer Heberling – Recording Secretary

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM, by Don Kreher.

Scott would like to keep the meeting to an hour and a half. He would like to take the naming of the ditches off of tonight's agenda.

Carl Klingenschmitt & Ken Koehler from the Conservation Committee appeared to speak to the Drainage Committee about the problems with the businesses on Main Street and the erosion of Murder Creek. The problem was made worse by the October Storm and the trees that were lost. Carl & Ken had an appointment with someone who is a field stream erosion specialist. The CAC has found out that any government entity has the right to apply for permits to do the work that would be required. Scott would like to attend the next meeting the conservation committee has to discuss this. The committee feels that the Town should be the governing body. Don Kreher feels that this is way beyond the scope of this committee.

Dan Kowalik spoke and reminded the committee that all the erosion damage was filed with FEMA for restoration after the October storm. FEMA did not want to come out and look at our situation, but they did come out and did not feel it was a rush situation. Dan said that when they filed the claim they did it from the fire hall to the bridge. Dan got a quote for 25 feet on both sides, all the way up. The quote was for approximately \$500,000. This would not stop the erosion, but it would secure the banks. Dan will supply Carl with all the FEMA information he has.

Scott spoke about the drainage program framework and he has put in for some extra money so this committee can actually get some things done. Dan has drawings of what Perry's is interested in doing. Jim DeYoung wants to know if there are any DEC permits that are required. Dan informed the architect that this project involves a protected stream. Discussion on the impact of this project was discussed in length by the committee.

This committee needs to do something about the ditch around the school and Perry's prior to this project and the school project.

Mike talked to the committee about the company that is coming in to clean out 200' on either side of the bridges in the town.

Dan Kowalik made a motion that this committee make a recommendation that Scott get a hold of the village engineer to discuss the Perry's project and come back with a recommendation for this committee. Don Kreher seconded. All were in favor. Scott is concerned as to how fast he can get information out before the next meeting. The Recording Secretary received the email addresses from the committee members.

There was a discussion by the committee on Kausner's house on Clarence Center Road. The committee can not believe that the Town allowed him to build at that location. The committee feels that a lien should be placed on the house to notify any potential buyer of the situation prior to their buying it.

There was a discussion on the village subdivision that Kurt Schie is moving forward with. He has submitted street names to the village for approval. Dan Kowalik wants the committee and Scott to look at the storm water management when it is submitted.

The minutes from the 7/17/07 meeting were approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jennifer Heberling  
Recording Secretary