

# **Germantown Stormwater Advisory Commission Minutes**

Thursday, July 13, 2023 – 4:00 p.m.  
Germantown Fire Station #4  
3031 Forest Hill Irene, Germantown, TN 38138

## **Call to Order:**

Commission Chair Ethan Skaggs called the meeting to order at approximately 4:06 p.m.

## **Establishment of Quorum:**

The roll was called and a quorum was not established with only three voting members present.

**Voting Members Present:** Chair Ethan Skaggs, Stephen Edwards, Alderman Jon McCreery,  
Vice Chair Crystal Warren, Secretary Doug Dietz, James Greenlee, Dr. Claudio Meier

**Non-voting Members Present:** FAC Liaison Tom Cassidy, Former Mayor Sharon Goldsworthy

**Staff Present:** Andy Sanders, Jason Black, Jessica Wallace

## **Approval of the Minutes:**

MOTION: To approve the minutes for the January 12, 2023, March 9, 2023, and May 11, 2023 meetings.

Motioned by: Stephen Edwards, Seconded by: Crystal Warren

Adoption approved: All present members voted "Yes"

## **Chairman Comments:**

Chair Ethan Skaggs had several updates for the Commission members. He introduced James Greenlee as the new commission member. Chair Skaggs introduced "Citizens to Be Heard" and discusses law and rules.

MOTION: To adopt "Citizens to Be Heard".

Motioned by: Alderman Jon McCreery, Seconded by: Crystal Warren

Adoption approved: All present members voted "Yes"

Chair Skaggs presented a summary of the BMA Storm presentation given by ACA Sanders and DCA Pifer. ACA Sanders reiterated that the City will be making improvements. Alderman McCreery expressed the importance of improving system.

Vice Chair Warren deferred update on TN SmartYards and Natural Resources.

## **Citizens to be Heard:**

John Barger of 8775 Birch Park Lane came forward regarding Lateral E.

Michael Hinton of 2458 Oak trail Dr came forward regarding flood damage.

Brian Holtz of 25657 Brachton Ave came forward regarding Shady Creek HOA Stormwater.

Jon Baker of 2711 Sweet Maple Cove came forward to discuss the recent flooding.

Lora Strauss of 8379 Grand Oak Drive came forward to discuss Germantown east water flow(Railroad  
Tracks/Southwind)

Britton Crafton of 8442 Beaverwood Dr came forward to discuss the recent flooding events.

**Rainfall Data Report - Discussion:**

Dr. Claudio Meier, PE, is present to give insight into the rainfall data from the July 4, 2023 rain event. He is currently as Associate Professor at the University of Memphis. Dr. Meier discussed NOAA Atlas 14 model, current rain events and the need for more reliable rain gauges. Dr. Meier advised for stricter requirements for new development and retrofitting existing infrastructure.

**Stormwater Manual Update:**

Chair Skaggs gave an update about the Stormwater Manual. He informed the members Phase 1 was approved for \$50,000.

**New Business:**

No new business. Next meeting to be September 14, 2023 at 4:00pm.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:00 pm.

Minutes Approved by:  Date: 9/14/23

- 4.) 2024 Schedule
- typically existing time/day works
  - no many at this time

V. Chair Warren:

Smart Yards: Pam Beasley - champion efforts. to partner w/ Garden Club. to utilize Neighborhood Services.

E. Figg to

Educate/Market to landscapers.

pilot Spring of '24

DRC Commissioner => landscaper

- Can we purchase Bob Shapers/etc?
- budget fix in TN Smart Yard.

- Germantown Festival
- Neighborhood Festival

Smart Yard vs. overgrowth ordinance

NRC:

Amnesty Day 9/23 7-12pm

Southern \* Johnson

3 bankers box limit

7.) Project Update:

- FY 23 + 24 construction

- CWMDP

- Flooding Abatement
- ↳ \$15 Mill

8.) New Business

9.) Adj. @

5:21pm

5) CTBTH: None

↳ look for more accessible location

6) SWM- Design

RFSOQ - before EOY 24

MSC - Draft complete

- Developer Hand book - GC.

↳ checklist / flowchart

↳ coordinate w/ Planning

- County Design Manual.

- Developers
- Designers
- Contractors