

A special meeting to hold a public hearing of the Kirklin Storm Water Board was held on Wednesday, October 8, 2025, at 5:30pm Kirklin Town Hall while being simultaneously livestreamed at www.youtube.com/@kirklinindiana.

The meeting officially opened at 5:35pm. On the call of the roll, the following Storm Water Board members were present: Brent Stetler and Jerry Faucett.

Also present: Billy Walker, Walt Minnick, Craig Hudzinski, Melinda Jobe, Clinton Poole, Jay Moore, Dan Carlisle, and Tara Walker.

PUBLIC HEARING - The purpose of the public hearing was to discuss a potential recommendation to increase the storm water management fee. Clinton Poole provided background information regarding some county storm drainage issues, referencing his family's experiences with drainage systems outside of town. Dan Carlisle expressed concern that he is being charged for a service he does not believe he is receiving. Tara Walker reported that the Town did not receive the OCRA Storm Water Planning Grant in the most recent funding round but noted that the Council is eligible to reapply. Billy Walker discussed storm water drainage issues under U.S. 421 that fall under the Town's responsibility. He further noted that some Town drains need to be increased in size and that the County must also address its portion of the drainage problem. He stated that the Town currently lacks sufficient funds to undertake any substantial storm water projects due to the associated costs. Following discussion, Brent Stetler made a motion to recommend that the Town reapply for the storm water planning grant and, if the application is not funded, to revisit the potential for a storm water rate increase at that time. The motion was seconded by Jerry Faucett and carried unanimously.

Seeing no further comments or questions, the Public Hearing was closed.

STORM WATER BOARD MEMBERS – The Storm Water Board discussed the need to add a third member. The Town Council President is responsible for appointing members to the Board. While the Town Superintendent is not a Board member, attendance at Board meetings is required. Tara Walker advised that no more than two members of the same political party may serve on the Board. Members serve three-year, staggered terms.

Seeing no further business to come before the Kirklin Storm Water Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:07pm.

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