

Rochester Borough Council  
Regular Meeting for Stormwater Management in Council Chambers  
June 17, 2019, 6:00 p.m.

Present: Howard Howe, Ron Becker, Bernie Rabik, Ben Rader, Marge White, Manager John Barrett

The meeting was called to order.

Manager Barrett stated that tonight's meeting would provide an open forum for any topic related to stormwater.

Persons in Attendance:

Mrs. White noted that a number of streets were recently seal coated and asked about precautions for keeping the stones out of the stormwater system. Manager Barrett stated that the contractor did cover all the stormwater inlets while they were laying down the seal coat layers. The covers were removed once all the layers were applied. There was sufficient time that the majority of stone was set in the tar before the initial rain storm however some stone may have potentially entered the stormwater system. The basins are constructed so that heavy material such as the stone would settle at the bottom of the basin thereby allowing the Sewer Authority personnel to vacuum out any stone which may have been washed off of the street. While it might seem reasonable to keep the inlets covered for a longer period, blocking the inlets during a rain storm could potential cause flooding in those areas thereby potentially causing harm or damage to adjacent properties.

The Borough will continue to have these public meetings and encourages all residents and businesses to attend when possible. Public participation and involvement in the overall stormwater management of the Borough is key to a successful program that will ensure we protect the quality of our waterways and are good stewards of the environment.

Submitted by,

John M. Barrett  
Borough Manager