

**Minutes from Community Meeting with Frankford Improvement Association
West Branch of Moore s Run Storm Drain Improvements
First Church of God, Sipple Ave.
Tuesday, January 20, 2004
8:00 p.m.**

I. Attendees

Name	Affiliation
Members	Frankford Improvement Association
Graeme Lake	PHR+A
Jason Lytle	GMB
Wendy O Donnell	Cornerstone
Don Owens	Baltimore City DPW
Dan Rocks	Baltimore City DPW
Mike Schultz	Baltimore City DPW

II. Phase II of Project

The Frankford Improvement Association invited the Moore s Run project team members to present the project to the Association s members during the latter part of their monthly meeting. President Ms. Barbara Faltz Jackson welcomed the City s representatives.

Mike Schultz began the presentation by describing the purpose of Phase II of the Moore s Run project, the phase that directly impacts the Frankford community. He discussed the location of the project, construction activity involving the storm drain, sewer and water main, the goal of eliminating flooding during storms, and the environmental benefit of reducing sewer overflows as required by the City s consent decree with the Environmental Protection Agency and the State of Maryland. At the conclusion of the meeting he emphasized that the City is available to participate in future community meetings on an as-needed basis as determined by the wishes of community groups.

Using a detailed alignment diagram, Graeme Lake discussed the precise location of construction activity on Hamilton Ave. on the east side of Belair Road. Issues dealt with include:

- Project timing — Construction is anticipated to begin in spring 2004 and last approximately 18 months.
- Storm drain — The current drain is too small to handle flows during storms resulting in neighborhood flooding. A new box culvert, 12-foot wide by 6-foot deep, will be installed within the roadway of Hamilton Ave.
- Sewer — The existing sewer will be replaced and upgraded to increase its capacity. Some temporary disruption to sewer service will occur when the contractor is connecting sewer laterals from homes to the new sewer.
- Water main — The main s current position close to the storm drain and sewer necessitates moving the water main to allow construction of the former two. Water service to nearby homes will be temporarily cut for short periods while connections are made to the new main.
- Gas main — BGE will move the gas main because of its proximity to construction activity.
- Traffic — Because this project involves major construction with large, heavy construction equipment, Hamilton Ave. will be closed to through traffic. Detour directions will be posted. Only Hamilton Ave. residents will have access to Hamilton Ave. There will be occasions when normal vehicular parking locations are not available as construction progresses along Hamilton Ave.
- Emergency services — Police and fire departments will be advised of the status of Hamilton Ave.

- Notification to residents — The contractor will knock on doors and speak with residents about times when water and sewer services will be disrupted.
- Moore s Run headwall — The headwall of Moore s Run, currently in a severely eroded state, will be restored as part of this project.

III. Questions and Answers

The community asked a number of questions (detailed below) that were answered by Mike Schultz and Graeme Lake.

- Q: What is the duration for cutting the water supply to homes?
 A: It will probably be a maximum of three to four hours. Residents will be given ample notice when water supply is to be cut.
- Q: Will this project impact Moore s Run downstream by making it more marshy?
 A: No. The same volume of water from Moore s Run, whether finding its way downstream via the storm drain system or via surface streets (as happens currently during severe storms), will end up downstream.
- Q: What percentage change are you making to the size of the pipes?
 A: There are currently three box culverts handling storm water. These existing three remain in place. The project adds a fourth box culvert to increase storm water capacity.
- Q: Will the storm water out-fall remain the same?
 A: Yes. This project decreases on-street flooding.
- Q: There is a penalty the City pays after June 2005. Is this still in place?
 A: Yes it still exists. It relates to the consent decree and applies only to the sewer system.
- Q: What is the Web site address for this project?
 A: The address is <http://cityservices.baltimorecity.gov/dpw/mooresrun/mooresrun.html> (Wendy O Donnell provided this via email to two Association members after the meeting.)

The meeting closed at 8:40 p.m.

MIKE SCHULTZ
 CHIEF

CC: Mr Jay Sakai All attendees
 Mr. Kurt Kocher File