



Council Agenda Item

Meeting Date: May 19, 2026

Agenda Item: Storm Event Recap

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BACKGROUND

(Enter the who, what when, where, why)

The following is a brief recap of the rain event from April 17, 2026.

Streets

The Street Department was called out Friday and Saturday to close roads due to flooding and provide sandbags to the Wastewater Utility. Roads closed included George Street, Franklin Street and Starin Road. On Monday, April 20, 2026, crews repaired a washed-out shoulder along Franklin Street.

Wastewater

At the Wastewater Facility crews were called in Friday night first to preemptively discharge sewage from a manhole to help avoid basement backups and then to deal with inoperable bar screens which caused the screening/grit building to start to flood. Read the attached Memo from Wastewater Superintendent Ben Mielke for a more detailed response.

PREVIOUS ACTIONS – COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

(Dates, committees, action taken)

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT

(If none, state N/A)

At the Street Department, staff had approximately \$10,000 in labor costs and \$2,500 in equipment related costs. At the Wastewater Utility, staff had approximately \$12,000 in labor costs and \$11, 894.70 in equipment and parts. Based on our population, our threshold to receive reimbursement, if there is any, is over \$60,000.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

N/A

ATTACHMENT(S) INCLUDED

(If none, state N/A)

1. Ben Mielke Memo
2. Pictures