MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Town Council

FROM: Mark E. Biberdorf, Town Manager MEB

COPY TO: Heather Taylor, Assistant Town Manager
Jabbo Pressley, Public Works Director

DATE: July 29, 2025

SUBJECT: Review by McGill Associates of Stormwater Issue on Wilkie Way

Several months ago, two residents appeared before the Council regarding a stormwater drainage concern on Wilkie Way. Specifically, a drainage culvert that is located near 96 Wilkie was cleared of debris that was partially restricting the opening of one end of the culvert. It is believed that this debris was intentionally placed there to restrict or slow the flow of stormwater through that pipe. The Town's Public Works Department, when noticing this obstruction, cleared it so that the drainage culvert could function as it is intended to.

Since the above-described drainage culvert was cleared, the residents at 96 Wilkie Way and 6 Wilkie Way have indicated that they believe their properties have been adversely impacted by stormwater flowing through their property at higher-than-normal rates. They have further indicated that they believe one solution to this would be the installation of a weir plate near the existing culvert to restrict the flow of water through the pipe.

After much discussion with Council about this overall issue, it was recommended by Town staff that our civil engineering firm (McGill Associates) review the situation and come up with a recommendation. McGill has since completed their review and a copy of their report and recommendation is attached. Ben Cathey with McGill will be on hand at the Agenda Review meeting to provide additional background on the report.

If you should have any questions regarding this item prior to the Agenda Review meeting, please feel free to contact me.

MEB/meb

Attachment