

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES**  
**NOVEMBER 1, 2010**

Mr. Fridly called the regular meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 5:30 P. M. Present were: Mr. Peterson and Mr. Fridly. Also present: Mayor Adams, Atty. Galluzzo, Dennis McMullen, Gordy Nygren, and Bruce Werrbach. Also present: Mr. Winters, Chief Dickson, and Mrs. Warren. Absent: Mrs. Bloodworth

Motion by Peterson, second by Fridly to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of October 18, 2010, as presented. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. Joe Marella-Update on Hockey Rink. Mr. Marella stated the asphalt is in and the boards are up but not pinned in to the asphalt yet. He also stated they need to put some fencing behind the goals to keep the pucks in play. Mr. Marella stated that he has an investor who wants to put a warming house on the east side, parking lot side, of the rink. Mr. McMullen stated that if you get below the rink you begin entering the flood fringe and eventually the flood way for the river and that is prohibited especially in the flood way. You probably will have to keep it up top somewhere. If you cantilever it off and you are 2-3 feet above the parking lot, you probably are still fine. Mr. McMullen stated that his office will shoot an elevation out there and tell you what it will be. Posts would be allowable, concrete would not. With electrical for heat, you will have to determine who is going to pay the bill for the heat. Mr. Marella stated that he would have 2 lights on a timer and a heater in the ceiling on a timer. Maintenance should be almost nothing as it will have a wood floor with benches on the outside and a garbage can, with the exterior being maintenance free siding with the building insured by the Village. The building would be locked in the summer. It was suggested that he look into electronic locks that would lock it up at night. You would not be able to place a camera inside with players using it for changing. Mr. McMullen stated that a building permit will be required for an 8 x15 building. It was suggested that extra space be added to this building for storage rather than two buildings. Chief Dickson was concerned about the additional liability with the building since we already have issues with the Settlers Park buildings. Chief Dickson and Mr. Nygren will be working with Mr. Marella to work out the best placement and safety of the building.

Mr. Marella also asked about changing the way we lock the boat ramp to leave the gate open on the boat ramp so that we could still get to the rink. Mr. McMullen stated that putting up a sign that the ramp is closed is sufficient or putting a chain across to block anyone from taking a boat into the water would be sufficient without closing the gate.

**MR. MCMULLEN**

1. Blum Water Project. Mr. McMullen stated that the plans and specifications are all ready and the permits are on the way with the Mayor sending a letter asking them to expedite the permit. He stated he also has two signed annexation agreements from the Blum's. A consensus will be asked for at the board meeting to get the project out to bid with the ads appearing in the paper tomorrow with a bid opening of November 15, 2010. This is approximately a \$25,000 project.

2. Rec Path Funding. Mr. McMullen reported that the Village did not get funding for the rec path.

**MAYOR ADAMS**

1. T-6 Contract. Mayor Adams stated that a draft of the T-6 contract was received today, but it will not be approved tonight. It was noted that we would prefer having the antennas attached to the railings on the towers.

2. Lewis Incentives. Mayor Adams stated that they are asking for a \$100,000 loan which they would pay back. They would be moving from Roscoe so there would be no new jobs created, but jobs retained. They will probably be moving to this site whether we help them or not but would not annex unless they got help with the water and sewer. It would be about \$20,000 for sewer and around \$50,000 total for utilities, quite a substantial investment. He would be able to get a recapture on the sewer. The committee will look at the numbers and work on being creative with any assistance.

3. Check. Mayor Adams reported that we did receive a check from the capital money and we still are uncertain if that has to go in MFT or if it can be used for any capital project. Mr. McMullen will check into this.

4. Christmas Party. Mayor Adams reported that the Village Christmas Party has been scheduled for December 8 at 6:00 P. M. at the Legion.

**STREETS & WALKS – MR. PETERSON**

1. Lights on Buildings. Mr. Peterson stated that Professional Electric will be hired to repair all the lights on the buildings prior to Christmas Walk at a cost not to exceed \$2,500. This will be approved at the board meeting.

**BUILDING & PARKS – MR. FRIDLY** (For Mrs. Bloodworth)

1. Virginia Baker Act Changes. Mr. McMullen stated that the grates as cast are not certified to fit in the Aquastar drains. Burbach Engineering has given us a proposal to go in and get the permits that we never got for the pool drains and give us a listing of what drains need to be put in there. They will probably go to an Aquastar drain and get certification through them. There is a lot of paperwork and these guys do it as a profession; therefore Mr. McMullen recommended hiring them. Cost will be approximately \$3,500.

2. Liner-Ice Rink. Mr. Fridly will authorize at the board tonight the purchase of a liner for the ice rink from Nice Rink for \$1,100 plus shipping.

**WATER, SEWER & GARBAGE – MR. FRIDLY**

1. Direct Debit Module for Water Bill Payment. Mr. Fridly stated the module is \$1,000 plus \$15 a month. It was decided not to charge a fee to encourage people to use it. It will save time for the water clerk to free her up to help with other services.

2. Direct Deposit. Mr. Fridly stated this is Step 2 of the same project. This is \$20 per month to 1<sup>st</sup> National Bank for the direct deposit to the bank. This can be used for direct deposit of employee checks also. We also have a \$25 fee with the bank for scanning checks which will remain and has been paid out of Administration. Fees will be split 4 ways at the end of the year by Mrs. Quimby. These two issues will be brought before the full board. Direct Deposit will allow employees to use multiple banks.

3. Sewer Rates. Mr. Fridly stated that in the 2009-10 Fiscal Year, we were \$91,293 in the deficit from total revenue for the operating expenses.

Ideally, our user fees should take care of our operating costs and anything else would take care of capital expenditures. This was given to everyone to find creative ways to increase sewer revenue. The big hit to the budget is the utilities. Utility costs have gone from \$31,000 in 2006-07 to \$64,000 in 2009-10. Mayor Adams noted that the bond had been paid off. The auditors requested that the Wal-Mart payback has to come out of Sewer rather than out of sales tax and the same with water. Engineering increased because of the increased number of projects.

**PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER – MR. NYGREN**

1. Auto-Dialer. Motion by Fridly, second by Peterson to authorize the purchase of new auto-dialers for Wells 7 and 9 at a cost not to exceed \$585.89. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 2-0.

Motion by Peterson, second by Fridly to adjourn at 6:26 P.M. All ayes. Motion carried 2-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Rossi  
Village Clerk