

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES**  
**MAY 3, 2010**

Chairman Fridly called the regular meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 6:30 P. M. Present were: Mr. Peterson, Mrs. Bloodworth, Mr. Fridly, Mr. Nygren, Mr. McMullen, Mr. Werrbach, Mayor Adams, and Atty. Galluzzo. Also present: Cory Magnus, representing the Lions Club.

Motion by Bloodworth, second by Peterson to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of April 19, 2010, as presented. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

**MR. McMULLEN.**

1. Sewer Incident. Mr. McMullen reported on the sewer line incident on Salem St. last week where the root cutter became jammed in the sewer line. Northern Illinois Service was brought in to remove the root cutter. Both services there were infested with roots and improperly installed. Costs to remove the cutter and replace two services will be in the \$20,000 range.

2. Aspland/Franklin. Mr. McMullen stated contracts are signed and the project should begin next week, taking approximately 7-10 days.

3. Paperchine. Mr. McMullen stated that everything is good today and the job should begin again the week of the 10<sup>th</sup> and should wrap up in two weeks.

4. Main St. Mr. McMullen reported that all paperwork has been received by IDOT but has not been reviewed. Bid letting will take place late June or early July. No construction will take place during OSD. A meeting will be held with business owners regarding closings downtown especially for striping. The project should take 10 days. Mr. McMullen is hoping that there would not be an issue with any of the street dances.

5. 2<sup>nd</sup> Overlay Program. Mr. McMullen is seeking input from trustees for streets to include in the 2<sup>nd</sup> overlay program with \$100,000 each from MFT and General Fund.

**ATTY. GALLUZZO**

1. Schlichting Letter. Atty. Galluzzo stated a letter was received from Schlichting. Rock Road is suing Schlichting and the Village was added to the suit because we owe Schlichting money. Rock Road has placed a lien on the funds to protect their interests. Mr. McMullen stated that at this time he is not ready to release the funds. The suit will force us to pay whoever is entitled to the funds.

**MAYOR ADAMS**

1. Budget. As far as Public Works is concerned, the budget is in good shape. \$80,000 was eliminated for downtown street lighting and the spreader. The hose maker for \$1,792 was left in capital equipment as were the door locks for the wells. After using \$100,000 out of MFT for overlay, there should be \$600,000 remaining in MFT.

2. Schwartz Annexation. Mayor Adams reported a meeting in reference to the Schwartz Annexation and their request for a sales tax rebate. This will be discussed further.

3. Shelving Unlimited. Mayor Adams stated that this business wants access to Rockton Road; however, the access they want is in state right of way and Mr. McMullen stated the State will not allow the access because of stacking and being close to an intersection. Mr. McMullen will put together costs for the recapture agreement and sewer extension to the property.

4. Digging Settlers Park. Mr. Fridly noted that the Lions Club want to place a permanent electric panel on a slab by the transformer and remove the large older monstrosity requesting the Village to pay the \$22,000 in costs or share the cost with the Lions. At issue was whether the digging, which the Village had not authorized, was on Village property or on the 1<sup>st</sup> National Bank property. The Lions have stated that permission to begin the process was given by 1<sup>st</sup> National Bank. They had come to the Village previously as they had to trench through the park to get over where they placed the older panel. Atty. Galluzzo suggested having a document drawn up showing who is responsible for repair and maintenance in the event of vandalism or weather related damage. Mr. McMullen will have a crew up here next week who will check the property lines to determine whose property the panel is located on at no cost to the Village. The Lions have also asked to update the electrical panel in

the shelter from 100 to 200 amp. Mr. Fridly requested that the Lions come up with a firm layout that will not vary in the future so we can eliminate moving the power around. He also noted that Gordy's personnel will be pulled from assisting with Old Settlers Days setup in the event of a water main break or other major emergency. The list of requests from the Lions will go before the board for approval tomorrow night with these stipulations.

### **STREETS & WALKS – MR. PETERSON**

1. Cruise Night at Marcos. Mr. Peterson stated that Marco's has requested to have cruise nights on May 18th, June 15th, July 20th, August 17th, and September 14th with music by a DJ and closing of portions of Warren and Bridge St. This will be brought before the board for approval.

2. Planters. Mr. Peterson stated that the Dickerson-Nieman ladies would like the committee to consider trellises be placed in the downtown planters so that the flowers could climb. Motion by Peterson, second by Bloodworth to authorize the expenditure of \$400 for planting the planters and corners on Main St. Only a couple trellises will be placed as there is concern that they will be stolen. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

3. Lights & Cords. Mr. Peterson asked about the removal of Christmas lights at the park and cords hanging from the businesses downtown. Lights are left on at the park, but he will talk to business owners about the extension cords that are hanging on buildings.

4. Baker's Acres. Atty. Galluzzo will check with the Bakers again. He was willing to draft the paperwork for the recapture agreement at the Baker's expense.

### **BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – MRS. BLOODWORTH**

1. Gazebo Plantings & Bench Pavers. Mrs. Bloodworth received a request from George Vedra of the original OSD, Inc. Committee asking to place pavers under the bench by the gazebo donated by Vera Geerts to raise the bench out of the dirt and also to allow the committee to plant seasonal flowers around the gazebo. Motion by Bloodworth, second by Peterson to allow the committee to add the pavers under the bench and the season floral plantings around the gazebo. Gordy will pick up the pavers and have them installed. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

2. Tennis Court. Mrs. Bloodworth received a request from a Nancy Hughes who lives in the Summit to make one of the volleyball courts at the Woodlands Park into a tennis court. The committee did not have a problem with her idea; however, the Village does not have the funds at this time to place the court which Mr. McMullen stated would cost about \$80,000. Several requests also have been received for additional playground equipment at the park.

3. Chamber. Mrs. Bloodworth will be attending the Rockton Chamber of Commerce meeting on May 27<sup>th</sup> and stated that she is interested in being on the chamber board.

Mr. Fridly stated that he has a gentleman interested in putting up a regulation hockey rink in one of the parks with an asphalt base so that it could be used for roller hockey in the summer and ice hockey in the winter. This gentleman has stated that he would maintain it and would seek funds for the base when it is decided where it should be placed.

**MR. NYGREN**

1. Gazebo. Mr. Nygren reported that 24 spindles were broken out of the gazebo with carving on top of the railings and a hole broken in the roof. There was also damage to an eye and light at the gazebo at the pool.

Motion by Peterson, second by Bloodworth to adjourn at 7:48 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Rossi  
Village Clerk