

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
APRIL 2, 2012**

Chairman Peterson called the regular meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 6:30 P. M. Present were: Cory Magnus, John Peterson, Atty. Cox, Mayor Adams, Gordy Nygren, Bruce Werrbach, and Lisa Wolf, CES. Also present: Gail Beach. Tricia Nelson was Absent

Motion by Magnus, second by Peterson to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of the Public Works Committee of March 19, 2012, as presented. All ayes. Motion carried 2-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. Gail Beach. Mrs. Beach commented that she feels the contract for the mowing of the Rockton Athletic Fields should have gone out for bid.

**ENGINEER'S REPORT-LISA WOLF**

Ms. Wolf stated that Well #7 is completed; Well #10 permits have been sent to IEPA; that she is waiting for the committee to make a decision about the well house and whether it will contain a garage; and a list of streets has been submitted for the 2012 Street Maintenance Projects and she is awaiting a decision on which streets to repair and how the project will be funded. The decision about the well house is needed this month. Mr. Magnus felt that adding the garage to the well house would be ideal. He felt we should stay away from log because of vandalism and fire hazard. Brick or limestone would be easier to clean up. A lot of people use this park and Mr. Peterson feels whatever we put there should look good. Mayor Adams asked the engineer to get a price on a limestone façade. Mr. Nygren advised that a camera be placed. Mr. Magnus questioned having an external bathroom instead of a private bathroom for our workers. Mr. Nygren commented that we spend \$150 a month on port-a-potties. There will be additional bathrooms placed later. This bathroom would be a family bathroom.

**MAYOR ADAMS**

1. Concession Stand-RAF. Mayor Adams stated that the Village should build a concession stand and then lease it out to someone to run it. Any profits would go back into the park. This park gets a lot more use than any of the other parks. Mr. McMullen's concern was to get the parking lot in first. The look of this building should match the well house. Mayor Adams asked Ms. Wolf to get a dollar amount for the concession building to be centrally located. A decision will have to be made by the next meeting.
2. Summit Condo Letter. Mayor Adams drafted a letter to go out to the Summit Condo Association members. There are 11 condo associations with private roads and 2 that are maintained by the Village, Wagon Wheel Pass, and Trading Post Court.

**STREETS & WALKS-MR. MAGNUS**

1. Landscaping-Glenmore. Motion by Magnus, second by Peterson to spend up to \$300 for vine ground cover and mulch for the planted area at the end of Glenmore to hold the dirt. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 2-0.
2. Resurfacing of Old Blackhawk Blvd.-TIF Funds. Mr. Magnus reported that there is \$279,000 in the TIF. The Blackhawk resurfacing project came in at \$224,718. There are other things that TIF money is earmarked for. Mr. Magnus stated that he does not want to spend \$225,000 on that road if there are other things to be considered with that TIF money. Mayor Adams stated that the road does get a lot of traffic. Mr. Magnus would like to lay

this over at this time. Mayor Adams stated we could get a better price for this if it was incorporated with the other road projects.

3. 2012 Street Maintenance. Mr. Magnus stated that he spent time with Mr. McMullen and added Cliffside Pl. which is as bad as Eaglewood at a similar cost. Some of the roads that do not get a lot of traffic could be overlaid which would last 5-8 years. He asked about Prairie St. and Center St. which need to be reconstructed and do get a lot of traffic. You would not want to put money into them now and then in two years reconstruct them. His opinion is to hold off until we can reconstruct them. Mr. Magnus recommended doing all of Warren St. instead of a portion of it and also added Strawbridge from Williamson to Sanctuary, and adding a dry well just off of Union on Bunn Dr. We can hold off on Aspland until next year. Also to be added to the 2012 maintenance is a road patch at Salem and Adams and repair at Glengary and Winfield where a sanitary lateral collapsed, and Center St. where a sewer line was placed. Mayor Adams stated there are some dips that need to be repaired also. The 2012 Maintenance Projects are on the agenda for approval tomorrow night pending receipt of final numbers. Funding would be \$100,000 from MFT and \$100,000 local funds.

The Village Hall Parking Lot comes out of capital projects not streets.

#### **BUILDINGS & PARKS-MRS. NELSON**

1. Swimming Pool Contract w/YMCA. Mr. Nygren reported that approximately 90-100 YMCA members use the pool in a season; however, they paint the pool for us with the Village providing the paint. The contract will be approved tomorrow night.
2. Swimming Pool Paint. Mr. Nygren has found a discount for \$64 a gallon for the aluminum paint for the pool. The pool is repainted every year as the Health Department will write you up if there are chips. The portions of the pool that will not be affected by the construction could be painted now. The paint purchase will be approved tomorrow night.
3. Picnic Tables-Settlers Park. Mr. Winters is looking into material costs for picnic tables and Brenda is looking into having the shop classes build them. Mr. Nygren stated that not only do wood picnic tables float but they get carved. This will be tabled for now.

#### **WATER, SEWER & GARBAGE-MR. PETERSON**

- 1 Landscaping/maintenance Berm Area by Farm & Fleet. Mr. Peterson stated that we did get an estimate for trees and mulch and maintenance of the berm for the next three years for \$15,000. We are getting a price for mowing the area, but Mr. Peterson is not at all in favor of mowing it. Mr. Magnus stated that the mulch will not hold on that berm and is opposed to mulch as he feels it is a continuous maintenance nightmare. He would rather see a ground cover than mulch. This will be maintained and guaranteed for three years. The only thing that Farm and Fleet has asked is that we keep this looking good. Mr. Magnus and Mr. Peterson agreed to disagree. Mr. Magnus stated that we do need more trees and they will look into some ground cover costs on the west side of the berm instead of mulch.
- 2 Contract for RAF Mowing & Misc. Village Weed Maintenance. Mr. Peterson feels that Lookin Good does a good job, but would like to have something in writing delineating the berms they will be maintaining. He will hold his price for 1 year or three years. We intend

to extend it for one year and see how he does with the berms. The total for mowing and berm maintenance for Lookin Good is \$20,580. We will have contracts for both S & H and Lookin Good to sign.

**PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER-MR. NYGREN**

1. Public Works Employees. Mr. Nygren reported that he has lost two employees and has two entry level positions at \$10-\$12 an hour. He does hope to fill one position within 7-10 days.

Mrs. Rossi representing the original Old Settlers Days Committee asked whether the two trees the committee would like to place by the gazebo could be flowering trees rather than the Horse Chestnut and the River Birch. The two members who were present had no problem with that, but wanted to talk to Mrs. Nelson prior to doing this.

Mr. Magnus asked about ownership of the Race channel. Representatives of Rockton Hydro wondered if the Village was going to fix the bank. They have repaired one side of the bank at a cost of \$16,000. Mayor Adams had a map showing the ownership of the bank on both sides belonging to Rockton Hydro. They have requested putting a boat in the race when the Village trims the trees to snag the debris. We want to make it look nice down there as that area has considerable use.

Hearing no further business, motion by Mr. Magnus, second by Mr. Peterson to adjourn at 7:18 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Rossi  
Recording Secretary