

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
APRIL 16, 2012**

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

Motion by Mrs. Nelson, second by Mr. Magnus to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of April 2, 2012, as presented. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

1. Rockton Athletic Fields. N-TRAK has completed the water main installation in the park and the sanitary crossing has been completed. This week they are planning to complete the borings for water and sewer under the railroad tracks.
2. 2012 Street Maintenance. Preliminary field work on various streets on the list has begun. The MFT portion will be completed first so we can submit to IDOT in early May. An IDOT Resolution for \$100,000 will need to be passed at the May 8th Board Meeting.
3. New Well #10. Initial review letter was received from EPA on the Drill Only Permits for the new well. We will respond to their two comments this week and should have our Permit in early May and be ready for bids soon after. The engineer is hoping to have the committee's decision on which style of well house they want so that they can begin the building design in early June.

STREETS & WALKS-MR. MAGNUS

1. Hawick St. Parking Lot. Mayor Adams met with Mr. Sockness this week. The offshoot of that meeting is that the Village is considering leasing the Hawick St. Parking Lot at a cost of approximately \$22,000 amortized over seven years with 0% interest with \$1 buyout at the end of 7 years. They have offered to complete the repair of the Village parking lot for \$32-\$35,000 per year for seven years. They estimate a 10% savings as the equipment will already be there. A manhole will be placed behind the Village Hall near the Southwest corner to catch all the water from the front and west side of the building that normally flows through the Village parking lot and into the Hawick St. Parking area. The rest of the parking lot in the back will be sloped to the east to a drain on the east side of the Village parking lot. This project is especially important to complete because of the business at the new Flying Pig. The committee is alright with the project pending receipt of final numbers. This will be discussed at the board meeting tomorrow night.
2. Bike Rodeo/Safety Fair. Mr. Magnus requested barricades and closure of Chapel Street for the Bike Rodeo/Safety Fair which will be held May 19th which the Mr. Nygren authorized.

MAYOR ADAMS

1. Public Hearing. Mayor Adams reported that a Public Hearing for the Rt. 75 Project will be held at the Rockton Township office on April 25th from 2pm to 6pm.
2. Playground at Settlers Park. Mayor Adams commented that Mrs. Colleen Gill requested playground equipment at Settlers Park.

BUILDINGS & PARKS-MRS. NELSON

1. OSD Requests. Mrs. Nelson stated that we would table this for lack of information.
2. Community Garden. The Lions Club would like to plant a community garden and then donate the proceeds to the pantry. Mrs. Nelson stated they should contact Rockton Township as they would like to have someone do a community garden by the township offices as they have the land available for that use.
3. Shirland Pool Pass Donation. Motion by Mrs. Nelson, second by Mr. Peterson to donate a Family Pool Pass to Shirland School for their Fun Fair on April 28th. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

WATER, SEWER & GARBAGE-MR. PETERSON

1. Hiring Public Works Employee. Mr. Peterson will ask for approval at the Board Meeting to hire a new Public Works Employee, Stefan Palches, at \$11.00 per hour.
2. Athletic Field Parking Lot. N-TRAK who is doing the water and sanitary work at the RAF has presented a proposal to complete the gravel parking lot. The dirt cored will be used for a berm on the field side to keep people from driving out there. After discussion about waiving the bid process and being uncomfortable with that, the medians, plowing some of it in the winter, and noting that the grant has not been received, it was decided by the committee to go out for bids.
3. Berms. Mr. Peterson commented that Lookin Good Turf is doing a great job with the berms.

PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER-MR. NYGREN

1. Pool Update. Stenstrom jobbed out this project to a pool company. The pool company has some different plans which do not requiring cutting the aluminum. Burbach is submitting this final plan tomorrow morning to the State and hopefully we have some kind of prelim by Wednesday or Thursday. If the State does not go for it, we will have to go back to Plan B and stick to the \$83,650. By doing it without cutting the aluminum, there could be a substantial cost savings.
2. Emergency Sewer Repair. Mr. Nygren reported that an electric motor in the sludge press room went out. Motion by Mr. Magnus, second by Mrs. Nelson to authorize the expenditure of \$773.56 to replace the electric motor in the sewer plant sludge press room. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.
3. CPU Unit. Mr. Nygren reported the CPU unit at the Hawick Lift Station was lost in the Saturday night storm. He is waiting for estimates for replacement.
4. Grit Chamber-Sanitary Plant. Mr. Nygren stated that we could avoid replacing the grit chamber by placing a screen system instead at the Hawick St. Lift Station. The screen system could be \$750,000.
5. Picnic Tables. Mr. Nygren stated that he could use about 8 more picnic tables.
6. Drag for Ball Diamonds. Mr. Nygren stated that he needs a drag for the ball diamond at Settlers Park. A fast pitch team is using it on Tuesday night.

Mr. Werrbach noted that we might have to place a light down by the Flying Pig because it is very dark down there.

Hearing no further business, motion by Mr. Magnus, second by Mrs. Nelson to adjourn at 7:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Rossi
Recording Secretary