

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
MARCH 1, 2010

Chairman Fridly called the regular meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 6:30 P. M. Present were: Laura Bloodworth, John Peterson, Scott Fridly, Atty. Galluzzo, Mayor Adams, Gordy Nygren, and Bruce Werrbach.

Motion by Peterson, second by Bloodworth to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of February 15, 2010, as presented. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

MR. MCMULLEN

1. Capital Improvement Program. Mr. McMullen reported that Rt. 75 south of the bridge will be started in the next 30 days and Blackhawk Blvd. has been set for either 2011 or 2012. Three years ago we rated the areas and have completed Bridge St. The 2nd areas we planned to do are the areas that will be completed this year, Main, Center and Prairie Streets. Area 3 was generated by Race St. which has now been overlaid. Prices for upcoming projects have been changed to reflect current pricing. There are a couple areas changed to strictly overlay. Originally we were at 4.3 and now are at 3.4 million. We have accomplished almost 1 million dollars worth of work and almost half of that was not village money. Projects to complete in the current year suggested were Franklin from Blackhawk to Bridge and River St. from Blackhawk to School. We also have Aspland Drive in the 2010-2011 Budget. After some discussion, it was decided to move forward with Franklin St. and Aspland Drive, particularly because residents of the Aspland Drive area had been promised that would be completed in this Spring construction. The other project remaining was to do Prairie St./Center St. design for future funds. The idea originally was to place curb and gutter on every other north and south street. The first block of Prairie where the parking is has to have curb and gutter. River St. will be flipped to this year's overlay program. Mayor Adams questioned the Mechanic St. repair which Mr. McMullen was holding for now waiting to see what the fire department is going to do with their addition. Mechanic could be placed on the overlay list for now. Monies will come from 41-953 and 41-860. There are also monies left in sidewalks, \$9,600 which is not going to be used.

2. MFT. Mr. McMullen stated that we have to fund 20% of Main St. and put that amount, \$61,615 in the budget under Main St. improvements. It will be a line item.

3. Terra Server. Aerials for planning from Wingis that we need would be \$40,000 to purchase. He stated that we also belong to Terra Server and could

obtain the panels of the whole Village plus one and one half miles outside of the Village for \$400; however, you cannot zoom in close to rooftops with this system. We do own all the parcel overlays that are in the corporate limits. We could overlay those onto the Terra Server maps. We could make up 2 sets of color plots and also 10-15 CD's. You could put that on your computer at home or here and with that you can get in closer. Costs would be \$400 for panels and \$640 to put the parcel overlays on and \$200 to plot the prints and CD's. We could look at that to designate conservation design areas. All these maps are October of 2008. This will be taken out of engineering money.

3. IDOT Land Acquisition Village Green Park. Mr. McMullen stated that IDOT wants to place parallel parking along Blackhawk adjacent to Village Green Park. In order to do that they also want to place a sidewalk, which will entail removing 7 trees, 2 hardwoods and 5 pines. The pines have seen better days, but the hardwoods are nice trees. IDOT will replace the trees. He and the Mayor would like to have a sidewalk on the north side of the park along Union St. The committee approved the parking, the placing of the sidewalk and removal of the trees and will ask the State to do the sidewalk instead on the north side of the park rather than replacing trees. Mayor Adams reminded us that Mr. Athans will donate trees for the park.

ATTY. GALLUZZO

1. Atty. Galluzzo reported he had heard from Rock Roads attorney regarding the approximately \$60,000 we are hold on the Wagon Wheel project. Five percent or \$35,000 is retainage and the other \$25,000 is what they are trying to get released on quantities which we would not release until we have another payout draw in the Spring. We would not release until May to make sure that the seed takes. There are three liens filed on that same money to this date. The subcontractors are trying to get their money any way they can because they fear they will not get it from Schlichting. Every job we do that ends in the Fall, we hold money until we see green in the Spring.

2. IGA. Atty. Galluzzo stated that when the TIF was closed for ChemTool in March of 2009, the deal was with the Joint Review Board that we would declare a certain amount of surplus every year that does not go to Jim Athans and would be given to the taxing bodies. The schools are signing this but it is not favoring any certain taxing bodies.

3. Electricity Infrastructure Maintenance Fee. Atty. Galluzzo stated this is on the agenda tomorrow.

4. FOIA Officers. Atty. Galluzzo stated that based on the new FOIA rules, Mayor Adams has elected Judy Rossi and Brenda Warren to be our FOIA Officers.

5. Baker's Annexation. Atty. Galluzzo stated this property annexed in 2007. Sewer was brought up Bridgewood for a house built by the owner's daughter. They want a recapture agreement recorded so that eventually if the other two houses connect, he can get reimbursed for extending that sewer further back. Service to those houses will be \$1,500 plus the \$9,000 half of the cost of the extension. Atty. Galluzzo will follow up on this.

Mayor Adams talked to Mr. Nygren and Mr. McMullen today about the sign for Matt Dwyer, who received a state wrestling title.

Atty. Galluzzo will have an e-mail alert system set up by the next meeting and when ordinances are posted for a meeting instead of Judy putting them in your mailboxes, you can print them out at home if you desire.

BUILDINGS & PARKS – MRS. BLOODWORTH

1. Shirland PTO Donation. Mrs. Bloodworth stated that she will bring to the board approval for a Family Pool Pass for Shirland School for their Fun Fair on April 17th.

2. Pool Contract. Mrs. Bloodworth stated the contract will be amended to include an attendant to watch the pool slide and to adjust the expense projections for that attendant for a total of \$90,620.05.

WATER, SEWER & GARBAGE – MR. FRIDLY

1. Public Works Policy. This will be laid over to the next meeting. The comp time for the Public Works Manager will be addressed in this policy.

2. Public Works Manager Comp Time. Mr. Fridly stated that Mr. Nygren will be able to sell back 50% of his comp time up to 100 hours. He stated that they are working on a long range plan to tone down his hours during plow season. Those hours will be paid out of the snow plow line item.

3. Backhoe Repair. Mr. Fridly stated a new rear differential is needed in the older backhoe at a cost not to exceed \$5,000 from Diesel Engine Specialists. This backhoe is used for loading salt in trucks and it also has a concrete breaker attachment which is used to get through the frost in winter for water main breaks.

This cost will be split between Streets and Walks, Water and Sewer and will be approved tomorrow night.

4. Athletic Park Seeding. Mr. Fridly reported on the Pancake Breakfast put on by the Youth Baseball Pony League and that all the profits are going into the Athletic Field. He spoke to Craig Zernehel and he has four landscapers who are willing to donate the seeding of one diamond each. We have an estimate for \$32,000 for S&H for seeding. Mr. McMullen stated that we have \$150,000 coming in from the State and of that \$127,000 would be used for Water and Sewer for the park. Mr. Fridly stated the \$150,000 was going to be used for the funds for the matching grant and wondered whether we will see those funds from the State before it is time to put seed in. Mr. McMullen stated that if you are seeding that ground bare and not put mulch over, you will have to plan to water and if you don't have water out there, you will have to bring it in and you cannot be using a fire hose to water as it will rut it up. Mayor Adams suggested that the professionals do the seeding and have the volunteers do the fencing. Mr. Fridly stated that the youth group has an estimate of cost of \$8,000 per field for fencing. Seeding should be done when the ground is between 48 and 56 degrees probably May and before the weeds start growing. Mr. McMullen stated that the matching funds should be used for what they are building not used funds that you already expended for mulch or seeding, etc. You have the diamonds done, you have to get them seeded and you will have to seed them again in the Fall, and you don't want anybody for any reason even practicing on these fields. Mr. Fridly and Mayor Adams will look through the budget to find the funds to get the grass seeded and we will have the youth baseball group put the fences up as they will not need to be on the fields. Mr. McMullen stated that the fields will have to be mowed with a landscape mower but not using the zero turns. Mr. McMullen stated you will have to have a contract from S&H if you allow them to do the seeding as they will have to use prevailing wage.

MR. NYGREN

1. Sweatshirts. Mr. Nygren reported that Jean Kohler has had requests for Village sweatshirts. It was decided to put Public Works Department on the village shirts to separate them from the ones being sold to the public. Our people also have ID cards that they wear.

2. Computer for Water Clerk. Mr. Nygren reported that Jean's computer does not have enough memory for the new water billing system. He stated that the Chief got a cost quote of \$419 for a new computer with enough memory. Her old computer will be utilized at the shop. Motion by Fridly, second by Peterson to purchase a new computer for the water clerk at a cost of \$419 to be split between Water and Sewer. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion by Peterson, second by Bloodworth to adjourn at 7:38 P. M. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Rossi
Village Clerk