

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES**  
**FEBRUARY 21, 2011**

Chairman Fridly called the regular meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 6:32 PM. Present were: Mrs. Bloodworth, Mr. Fridly, and Mr. Peterson. Also present: Mayor Adams, Dennis McMullen, Gordy Nygren, and Atty. Galluzzo.

Motion by Peterson, second by Bloodworth to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of February 7, 2011, as presented. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

**MR. McMULLEN**

1. Street Program. Mr. McMullen stated that he was looking at the budget numbers for the street program for 2011. There are still several streets that need to be done to include: Ferry, Franklin, Chapel, and some streets in Woodlands that we promised this year. We want to get that prepared for an April letting. Mr. McMullen stated that with the new population numbers, we should be getting \$28.55 per head for MFT next year which comes up to another \$6-8,000. Mr. Fridly stated that there is \$600,000 in MFT right now and would like to see us do another section from our plan. Center, Prairie and Mechanic was the next section we had ready to go down to the State. It doesn't look too promising that SLATS or the State will come up with some money this year for highways. That project would include Prairie St., Union to Main St., Mechanic from Rt. 75 to Prairie and if funds allow Prairie St. north to Union St. All the streets coming into downtown would be completed then. All need drainage work and include curb and gutter or depressed curb on Mechanic. Mr. McMullen will bring some numbers to the next meeting.

**MAYOR ADAMS**

1. Student Help. Mayor Adams stated that his grandson is on the Student Council and they have 100 students who would help with projects on April 28<sup>th</sup> from 9 to 12. Mr. Nygren will come up with some projects so that we can take advantage of the extra help.

**BUILDINGS & PARKS – MRS. BLOODWORTH**

1. Donation Rockton PTO. Motion by Bloodworth, second by Peterson to approve the donation of a Family Pool Pass to Rockton PTO for their Fun Fair on March 12, 2011. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

2. Donation Shirland School. Motion by Bloodworth, second by Peterson to authorize the donation of a Family Pool Pass to Shirland School Fun Fair on April 16, 2011. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

3. Chamber Membership. Mrs. Bloodworth stated that she had the membership package for the village to fill out for Rockton Chamber membership. Mayor Adams stated the Village does not pay for a membership to the chamber but pay for the Moving Targets Program in lieu of paying for membership.

4. Gala Award Night-Rockton Chamber. Mrs. Bloodworth asked if anyone was going to attend this event and Mayor Adams stated that he would do so unless someone else wanted to attend.

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

1. Rockton Athletic Fields Maintenance. Mr. McMullen had given everyone a proposal with specs and bid documents to be let. The watering issue will have to be negotiated at the time unless the funds come in from the state to extend the water to the park. Mr. Fridly stated that he had asked Gordy to gather numbers for hiring another man and a mower to mow the park ourselves, getting another  $\frac{3}{4}$  ton pickup and he also could take Gordy's place in the plow rotation utilizing Gordy only for monster blizzards. The document calls for mowing the ball diamonds twice a week and the rest of the acreage once a week, along with weed control and fertilization. What Gordy is putting together are numbers just for maintenance for the park. We only want to bid for a year and see how they perform, not locking into a multiyear contract. We may find out that it is cheaper for us to do it; however, we would not be able to do the weed control or fertilization. Mr. Fridly stated possibly we should get someone to manage the parks. This will be brought before the board and see if everyone is OK with putting it out to bid. The bid opening would be March 7<sup>th</sup>.

2. Variance for Well 11533 Old River Road. Mr. McMullen crunched some numbers to get the water to 11533 Old River Road off of Old River

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Road and Wake Forest. The cost would be \$21,830. This is not forcing them to use copper and punch it under Old River and all the way back to their house vs. trying to find an area along the drive to get it back there because of the solid trees. In the past, we have split the cost to get water to the property line which is basically under Old River Road. We paid  $\frac{3}{4}$  for Blum; however, there is a recapture there for the Village. The Nozzi's are contiguous and would annex into Rockton immediately. The home north of them is right there and we could take it directly across the street also. The biggest concern for the people in the Hinkel's home is sewer not water. We would allow the Nozzi's to keep their septic as it is alright. Mayor Adams felt at the very least, we should extend to the lot line which is typically done. There was considerable discussion about the portion the Village would pay to get this done. Mr. McMullen stated that sewer service is based off the main and water service begins at the property line. That's explains the difference. He stated that it would be \$10,000 to get it across and \$11,000 to get it to the house. They are 515 feet back from the road. The Nozzi's stated that they can do the new well for \$8,000. Mr. Peterson was concerned about making sure the Village was being fair to everyone seeking utilities. With the Blum extension, we placed a main because of potential hookup of other homes and future recapture fees for the Village. Mr. Fridly stated we take it to the vicinity of the house and they pay \$8,000 plus \$1,700 in hookup fees and they annex into the Village before we start. The Village would pay the difference of \$12,130. With Anderson, the agreement for sewer was to split the cost with them for getting it from the main to the property line. The ordinance states that they are 100% responsible from the main. We went up and beyond with them to cross the street, our cost being \$16,560. Atty. Galluzzo stated that we have different rules for sewer and water; however, we are treating everybody equally depending on the service they are looking for. We are applying the rules in our ordinances consistently as written. Mr. McMullen stated that we have written agreements with all these people. Mrs. Bloodworth stated she is fine as long as it is consistent with the ordinance. The final decision was to ask the Nozzi's to pay \$9,700. This will be brought to the board tomorrow night. Mr. Peterson was still not comfortable with the committee's decision. Mayor Adams stated the only other option is to grant the variance.

3. Reimbursement H. C. Anderson. Motion by Fridly, second by Peterson to reimburse the \$300 overpayment on the connection fees. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

**MR. NYGREN**

1. Auger for L8000. Motion by Peterson, second by Bloodworth to approve the purchase of the auger for the L8000 from Bonnell at a cost of \$548.41. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

2. 1981 Sewer Truck Jetter Hose. The 400' jetter hose has been scabbed together in 3 places, is leaking bad and needs to be replaced. Mr. Fridly will get a consensus from the board to order the hose.

On the pump for the jetter, there is a valve issue, and last week it would not work. Diesel Engine Specialists were able to get it working temporarily. Parts and labor to repair the valve in the box would be \$1,490. The parts alone are \$920. Mr. Fridly will bring this to the board also for a consensus.

Motion by Peterson, second by Bloodworth to adjourn at 7:27 PM. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Rossi  
Village Clerk