

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
APRIL 18, 2011

Chairman Fridly called the regular meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 6:30 P. M. Present were: Mr. Peterson and Mr. Fridly, Atty. Cox, Gordy Nygren, Dennis McMullen, Bruce Werrbach, and Mayor Adams. Visitors present: Zachary Baker, Cory Magnus, Trisha Davey, Gail Beach, and Brenda Warren.

Motion by Peterson, second by Fridly to waive the reading of and approve the Public Works minutes of April 4, 2011, as presented. All ayes. Motion carried 2-0.

Motion by Peterson, second by Fridly to waive the reading of and approve the Special Public Works Committee minutes of April 11, 2011, with one correction on Page 3, Paragraph 1, changing relaying of sewer pipe to relining of sewer pipe. All ayes. Motion carried 2-0.

MR. MCMULLEN

1. Prairie St. Mr. McMullen stated that all the paperwork is off to IDOT, IDNR, and the EPA. The reason it had to go to EPA is that we are replacing that one block of asbestos cement pipe as part of the project. It has to go to IDNR if we are disturbing more than an acre. We are hoping all of this will be completed within the next 30 days and still hope to get a bid date in late May. MFT is paying for this entire project. All of the signs, except for street signs, will be updated to the new standard.

2. Pool. Mayor Adams was told while he was in Springfield to go ahead and operate the pool for the summer as long as the sumps are done by October 1, 2011. Mr. McMullen stated that we have to decide if we are going to direct Burbach to do the design to revise the sumps. We are going to have to do some type of construction either above or below grade. He feels the below grade is the best alternative. Mr. Fridly is concerned about leakage after the construction. Mr. McMullen feels nothing is going to get done until we give Burbach more direction. The design has to be approved by the health department before it can go out to bid. We need someone to get plans, specifications, and permits ready so we can bid this in August and we are ready to start construction in September. We have \$25,000 in the budget for the reconstruction of those sumps. We need to get a formal proposal from Burbach to do the

engineering and construction by the next meeting. If they don't, we need to find someone else.

3. Grant. Mr. McMullen stated that the \$50,000 grant for the park property has been found and shipped to us already. We will have the full \$150,000 available for the park projects. He will mimic the other grant survey and add a general item for the parking lot. We can use some of the extra \$50,000 for water if necessary. If not we can use almost all the \$50,000 for the parking lot. We are just getting the railroad permits re-initiated and by the next meeting have a number for our check. He anticipates we can go for bids as early as next month and hold the award until such time that we have an agreement in hand. What we are doing now is a survey. Once this information is in their files, they have 30 days to give us a grant agreement. That agreement says exactly what that money can be used for and what the dates are for spending that money. He wants to get something from DCEO with the time to begin. The time we take the bids to the time we start construction will be 30 days so we are looking at some time in June. He understands the money will be ready between June 1 and June 15. We will have to pay the expense and then they will reimburse it. Construction will possibly take less than 30 days.

4. Rt. Signals. Mr. McMullen stated that we have to create a report on the status of the signal at Rt. 2. It is virtually a yearly inspection report which can be done by William Charles. We will receive \$3,000 a year and everything over that is 50/50 including lamps. This has to be in by July 1 of every year.

MAYOR ADAMS

Mayor Adams stated that he would like to get a first reading for the budget tomorrow night. We had to cut back to make up for an insurance item we didn't realize we had. Mr. Fridly stated the Public Works building was dropped from \$100,000 to \$90,000. He also stated that he was disappointed that we are not paying back any of the sewer money that was borrowed by the General Fund.

STREETS & WALKS

1. Marco's/3 Sheets. Mr. Peterson remarked that he will bring before the board tomorrow night for approval the request from Marco's for Cruise Nights and the requests from 3 Sheets Pub for Bag Leagues,

Tournaments and Anniversary Celebration. There have been no problems with any of these events.

2. Street Maintenance. Mr. Peterson will also ask for approval for the 2011 Street Maintenance in the amount of \$149,398.20 tomorrow night at the board meeting.

3. Trees. Mr. Peterson reported that Trisha Davey had gotten 50 oak trees from Rock River Trails which have to be planted in view of the river. They could be planted at Settlers Park, at the boat ramp, on the Race, or the Rockton Athletic Fields. You can plant in the flood fringe, but not in the flood way. It was noted that the Swamp Oaks will grow in standing water. Ms. Davey stated that she would need help planting them. They will have to be staked at least next to them. Mr. McMullen suggested planting them in a group and then replanting them permanently in 3-4 years when they are larger. You have to stick to the plan for Settlers Park and there are some Swamp Oaks in that plan. Ms. Davey will come up with locations for the trees and then contact Mr. Nygren.

4. Lights on Buildings. Mr. Peterson reminded the committee that letters need to be sent to building owners about the light turn off date.

WATER, SEWER & GARBAGE

1. Pool Contract. Mr. Fridly will take the pool contract to the full board for approval. Mayor Adams stated that we are in compliance with the grates until after the October 1, 2011.

2. Rockton Athletic Fields. Mr. Fridly stated that we have a signed contract from Lookin Good and the bond is in our hands. This will be approved tomorrow night.

3. Hire Part-Time Help. Two mowers, two waterer/weeders, and 3 Hut Program personnel will be approved for hire tomorrow night.

4. Pool Heater. Motion by Fridly, second by Peterson to approve the purchase of the heater for the showers at the pool from G. W. Berkheimer at a cost not to exceed \$653.23. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 2-0.

MR. NYGREN

Mr. Nygren stated that last year new partitions were installed in the pool. He noted that they were starting to rust, and after several calls the installing company has agreed to change out and re-install new partitions on Wednesday.

Motion by Peterson, second by Fridly to adjourn at 6:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Rossi
Village Clerk