

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
AUGUST 20, 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, Gordy Nygren, Atty. Galluzzo, Mayor Adams, and Bruce Werrbach. Also present: Scott Fridly, Pat Hoey and Gene and Judy Truman.

Motion by Mr. Magnus, second by Mrs. Nelson to waive the reading of and approve the Public Works Committee minutes of August 6, 2012, as presented. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

ENGINEERING REPORT-LISA WOLF

1. 2012 Street Maintenance. William Charles has completed the paving on the MFT streets with the pedestrian lane striping to be completed by the end of the week. Rock Roads has begun adjusting manholes and milling operations should begin by the 21st. Paving operations and patch repair should begin by the end of this week.
2. Misc. Curb, Sidewalk, and Inlet Repair. Stenstrom Excavation has returned the executed contracts and bonds to our office and they are ready for village signatures. Weather permitting work should start sometime next week taking a week to 10 days for completion. The committee gave approval to the engineer to add into the project 2 concrete drives and a piece of curb that were removed during water repairs.
3. New Well #10. Layne Christensen has completed the well development and 24 hour performance tests. The well performed better than anticipated and we should be able to depend on 800 GPM rather than the estimated 700GPM.

R.A. VanderHeyden Architects has completed the initial phase of the building plans for the well house with the electrical, plumbing and HVAC underway. Plans should be ready for submittal to the IEPA in early September with a possible bid process by the end of the year.

4. Athletic Fields-Football Fields. Necessary survey work has been performed and plans and bid documents are being prepared for the development of the football field portion of the Rockton Athletic Fields Site. Since the site will require extensive grading, we are awaiting the final location of the Concession Stand and the final grading plan for the well house to determine how much excess materials will be available for the football fields. The initial design of the Concession Stand is complete and they are requesting input for the interior finish.
5. Village Hall Parking Lot. Stenstrom has completed the parking lot.
6. Rockton/Dorr Road Striping. The existing striping on the Village's portion of Rockton and Dorr has been measured. The engineer is recommending that thermoplastic striping be used in order to get 5-7 years before replacement. Based on 65,000 feet of various sized striping, the estimated cost to restripe these two streets is \$55,107.00. They are recommending that this work be put in next years' budget and completed in Spring, 2013. It was felt that MFT money could be used for this cost.

MAYOR ADAMS

1. Hwy. 75 Turn Lane. Mayor Adams stated that the engineers are still saying the Hwy. 75 project will go out for bids next fall for construction in 2014. They are wondering about

putting a turn lane at Central Drive. He stated that ultimately we want it to go across into the triangle. He stated that while it was under construction they could add that turn lane. Cost would be \$60-\$70,000 for that turn lane. We have time to think about it.

2. MFT. Mayor Adams reported that we received an additional \$32,000 in MFT. We could set that aside to use for the striping.
3. Bike Paths. Mayor Adams stated that he gets a lot of requests for a bike path on Old River Road and also Rockton Road. He hopes we could get a grant to do at least one of those. He thinks Old River Road is back on the construction list for the county and we will have to look into tying that recreational path in with that construction. The county indicated they would look into the Safe Routes to School Program for us.
4. Zoning & Planning. Mayor Adams stated that the Annexation on Rockton Road was tabled by the Zoning Board so that will not be on the board agenda. There was an issue in reference to the Lewis property to the east and one of their concerns is that they will be landlocked. They would like the developer to extend their road over to tie into their parcel. If they want an economic incentive, we may make that a requirement. Mayor Adams asked if the road should be public or private. If it was public, we would be doing the snowplowing, and it would make it easier to force them to do that. The Atty. stated that you would have to see how that fit into their plans if it is public and a wider street. The Attorney would like to know the committee's preference in reference to the street being public or private.

The other issue was in regard to the home on Union and Green St. was a 2-2 tie in Zoning regarding continuing the 2 family use and coming to us as a "NO" vote. This has been a 2 family for as long as anyone can remember, that status being lost because it was vacant for six months or more. The new owner is requesting a variance to allow the 2 family status to be continued. Mayor Adams noted that a variance can be reviewed at the year anniversary and it could be pulled if necessary. Mr. Peterson stated that just because something bad happened at a property in the past does not mean it is going to happen again.

The Grove Street property rebuild was approved unanimously.

STREETS & WALKS-MR. MAGNUS

1. Travel Expense for Truck Inspection. Mr. Magnus stated that Mr. Nygren had found a 5 yard dump truck in Fort Wayne, Indiana. He stated that he and Mayor Adams and Mr. Nygren will be taking a trip down there to inspect this truck. The asking price is \$51,000. Motion by Mr. Magnus, second by Mr. Peterson to expend up to \$500 for this trip and overnight. Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

BUILDINGS & PARKS-MRS. NELSON

1. River Sweep. Mrs. Nelson reported that the River Sweep Committee is considering donating a tree to Settlers Park in conjunction with their cleanup of the river. Mrs. Nelson suggested another Horse Chestnut or a Kentucky Coffee Tree. She is looking for water tolerant trees.

WATER, SEWER & GARBAGE-MR. PETERSON

1. Purchase New GMC Truck & Equipment. Mr. Peterson stated the bidding process for the new ¾ ton truck will be waived and the truck and equipment approved for purchase tomorrow night.

2. Hire Full Time Employee for Public Works. Mr. Nygren stated that Jacob Costello will be hired to work part time at the sewer plant and part time with Public Works.

PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER-MR. NYGREN

Mr. Nygren stated that the trees are down and off of Mr. Baker's house and those on Shore Lane are also down.

Magnus brought up the sign at the Rockton Athletic Fields and that it should match the buildings out there. Mr. Peterson stated that we have three signs that we need to talk about the sign at the athletic field, Settlers Park and the one by Kathy Bellich's office. Mr. Magnus would like to see a digital sign with time and temperature and scrolled messages like the one at Hononegah by Bellich's office. Mayor Adams suggested a sign similar to Village Green's sign. Mrs. Nelson will look into ideas for the signs.

Hearing no further business, motion by Mr. Magnus, second by Mr. Peterson to adjourn at 6:56 P.M. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Rossi
Recording Secretary