

## **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**August 17, 2015**

Chairman Fridly called the regular meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 6:30 pm.  
Members present: Dale Adams, Kevin Bunge, Scott Fridly, Cory Magnus (6:31 pm), Jodi May, Gordy Nygren, and Don Self  
Also present: Dan Barber

Motion by Mrs. May, second by Mr. Fridly, to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of July 20, 2015. All ayes. Motion approved 2-0.

Motion by Mrs. May, second by Mr. Fridly, to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the special Public Works meeting minutes with the Rock River Water Reclamation District. All ayes. Motion approved 2-0.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Witte, a contractor working for the Rockton Fire Protection District to install the antenna on the water tower on Wagon Wheel Road, wanted the Committee to be aware of an electrical issue. Mr. Witte stated that there is a problem with the electrical running from the water tower (well house) down to the switch at the base. There should be two hot wires and there is currently only one that is in working condition. Mr. Witte said that this is currently not interfering with the usage, but that the Committee may want to consider options for repair. Mr. Witte suggested running electrical from the area near Fat Wallet down to the power building near the base of the current tower, but that an easement would need to be granted in order to do this. Mr. Nygren will contact Rock Energy to see what the costs would be to do this and Mayor Adams will contact Tim Storm, owner of Fat Wallet, to see if he would grant an easement. The Committee will discuss this at a later date.

### **VILLAGE ENGINEER – KEVIN BUNGE**

Village Engineer Kevin Bunge gave his report. A copy of his report is on file with the Village Clerk's office.

Mayor Adams and Mr. Magnus still need to meet with the two owners of the property in reference to the sidewalk on the south side of Rockton Road from Route 2 to the school entrance.

Ms. May stated that she looked into solar street lights and that from what she has determined the lights are impractical and that they cost 2-3 times more. Mayor Adams stated that the Committee needs to discuss buying and installing our own street lights because the renter fee to Rock County Coop has gone up. Mayor Adams added that the Village needs to look into other options.

### **MAYOR - DALE ADAMS**

Dan Barber, Treatment Plant Operator, spoke with the Committee in reference to the WWTP. Mr. Barber provided a spreadsheet to the Committee to show the sewer rate data and what type of increase would be needed to start generating revenue to potentially fund the sewer plant options. Currently, the sewer rates are not generating any type of revenue and the Village needs to consider what path they would like to take after all the options are researched thoroughly.

Mayor Adams stated that letters will be mailed out to residents in reference to water line insurance.

### **WATER, SEWER, & GARBAGE – SCOTT FRIDLY**

Motion by Mr. Fridly to ratify the consensus for Nelson Carlson Mechanical in the amount of \$880, second by Mr. Magnus. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 3-0.

### **STREETS AND WALKS – CORY MAGNUS**

Mr. Magnus stated that Ordinance 2015-27 which amends section 71.15 of the municipal code regarding permits for oversized motor vehicle is up for approval at the Village Board meeting on August 18, 2015. The Committee was okay with this.

Mr. Magnus added that the striping is also up for approval at the Village Board meeting on August 18, 2015. Mr. Magnus thought it might cost a little less because Winnebago County will not be able to complete part of the striping due to the construction of the bridge on Main Street.

Mr. Magnus stated that he would also like to see the patterns for the striping on E. Rockton Road. Mr. Bunge will send both options for review.

### **BUILDINGS AND PARKS – JODI MAY**

Motion by Mrs. May to ratify the consensus for Columbia Pipe in the amount of \$566.17 to repair the toilet at the pool, second by Mr. Magnus. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 3-0.

### **PUBLIC WORKS – GORDY NYGREN**

Mr. Nygren stated he spoke with Atty. Szeto in reference to the ROW permit and that the Village could go back to Rock County Coop if they chose to do so, but Mr. Nygren and Mr. McMullen had given them permission prior to the ROW permit issue. No further action was taken.

Mr. Nygren stated that J & R Underground will be completing the patch on Union Street. Mayor Adams would like to look into the cost of equipment so that the Village can do their own patching.

### **PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR – DON SELF**

None.

### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS ALLOWED BY LAW**

Mr. Fridly stated that he called Grindline in reference to the status of the skate park project. Mr. Fridly stated that it has been over a year that they have been trying to resolve the issue with stamping and sealing the documents. The stamp is required in order to obtain permits. Mr. Fridly stated that the Village should not have to pay for the documents to be stamped. Mr. Fridly will talk to Grindline again about this, but he wanted to update the Committee about the issue.

### **ADJOURN**

Motion by Mrs. May, second by Mr. Magnus to adjourn at 7:48 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Stewart  
Village Clerk