

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES

September 6, 2016

Chairman Fridly called the regular meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 5:34 pm.
Members present: Mayor Adams, Dan Barber, Kevin Bunge (5:36 pm), Scott Fridly, Cory Magnus, Jodi May and Don Self

Motion by Mr. Magnus, second by Mrs. May to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of August 15, 2016. All ayes. Motion approved 3-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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.

Mr. Bunge asked if the easement had been recorded in reference to the Freedlund property. The Village Clerk advised that she was waiting on the easement to be signed by the Rockton School District and that she would record them at the same time. The Village Clerk advised that she would let the Village Engineer know once the easements were recorded.

Mr. Bunge asked the Committee what they would like to do in reference to the GIS/GPS project because the interns are done for the summer. The Committee advised to leave the remaining \$9,000 and to give the info that has been gathered thus far to WINGIS.

Mr. Bunge stated that there isn't an old floodplain ordinance to repeal and that he would like Atty. Szeto to look at the codebook in reference to the word usage of "floodplain" in ways that aren't correct, but that he is okay with the new floodplain ordinance that is up for approval later in the evening. Mr. Fridly verified that Mr. Bunge is comfortable with the use of "Village Engineer" in regards to responsibility as it's worded in the new ordinance and Mr. Bunge was good with it and familiar with the language.

Mr. Barber is waiting for an email from Valerie with T6 in reference to what they would like to put up and Mr. Barber will forward the email to Mr. Bunge once he receives it. Atty. Szeto also reviewed the contract with T6.

Mr. Barber stated that Norwest needs a letter from the Village to release the money in reference to Old River Hills. Mayor Adams will talk to Atty. Szeto about this.

Mayor Adams stated that Anjano's is going to pay for the appraisal on the property that was discussed and that the appraisal should be done by the end of September.

MAYOR - DALE ADAMS

None.

WATER, SEWER, & GARBAGE – SCOTT FRIDL Y

Motion by Mr. Fridly to approve the purchase order for Gasvoda & Associates for calibration services in the amount of \$731.60, second by Mrs. May. Mr. Barber stated that the meters at the wastewater plant have to be calibrated every year for the IEPA. Mr. Barber stated that the meters show how much water goes in and exits the wastewater plant every day and are recorded on a daily basis. Roll call. All ayes. Motion approved 3-0.

STREETS AND WALKS – CORY MAGNUS

Mr. Magnus stated that he would like to reconsider the approval of J&R Underground to do the street maintenance for the Village. Mr. Barber spoke with Stenstrom and they came back with a not to exceed

number of \$13,500. Mr. Barber stated that Stenstrom hadn't gotten back to him with certain prices and they felt that they weren't represented properly. Mr. Barber said that he opened it up for them to give him another quote and that he did not discuss price with them in any way, shape or form. Mr. Barber stated that they came back with the quote not to exceed \$13,500. Mr. Barber spoke with Atty. Szeto and Atty. Szeto advised that the Village Board can motion to reconsider due to the fact of the miscommunication with the quote, but the motion has to be made by someone who voted for J&R Underground, which was all of the Village Trustees. Mr. Barber stated that once the motion is made to reconsider and approved then a motion can be made to approve the Stenstrom quote and they can start by the end of the week or beginning of next week on the street maintenance. Mr. Fridly stated that he has already talked to Mr. Barber about this and feels that it was handled incorrectly, but Mr. Fridly said that they need to move forward. Mr. Fridly stated that Mr. Barber knows what the Committee expects in the future. The Committee was okay with this.

The Committee discussed the Diamond Starz Baseball Organization "Can Day" request. Mr. Magnus stated that the Committee had agreed in the past to only allow the handful of organizations to continue "Can Day" that have been doing it for years, but not to approve any other organizations. The Committee was okay with this.

Mayor Adams discussed Hawick Street parking with the Committee. Mayor Adams stated that the people doing the parking study came up with the suggestion to make the 100 block of Hawick Street to the west of Highway 75 a one way with angled parking similar to how it is on the east side of Highway 75 on Hawick Street. Mrs. May questioned if this would affect the building on the vacant property where Sonoco used to be. Mrs. May said questioned the downtown planning project because she doesn't want to make a decision and have to redo it all over again. Mr. Fridly inquired when the Village is supposed to get the results of the parking study and Mayor Adams thought sometime in November. Mr. Fridly asked Mr. Bunge look it over and report back to the Committee at the next meeting.

Mr. Magnus discussed the special events applications for Hononegah High School with the Committee. Mr. Magnus advised that one application was for their Homecoming events the week of September 17th - 24th and the other application was for the 2016 Pink Out 5K Walk or Run that will be held on Monday, October 17th from 6-7:30 pm. Mr. Magnus verified that Mr. Barber was aware of the different events going on for Homecoming and Mr. Barber said that he was good with everything. Mr. Self added that Deputy Chief Hollinger was going to provide eight police officers for the parade at the intersections instead of the two that the high school requested. Mr. Self stated that Deputy Chief Hollinger wanted the Committee to be aware in case they wanted to charge the high school for the police officers. Mr. Fridly stated that the Village doesn't charge for the police officers. The Committee was okay with both special events applications. The applications are up for approval at the Village Board meeting later in the evening.

Mr. Magnus stated that he spoke with the resident on the west side of Bunn Drive in reference to the grade school path while he was out there measuring the area for the easement. Mr. Magnus advised that he wouldn't be surprised if the homeowner asks for something from the Village since he removed the trees in the area where the path is going. Mr. Magnus advised that the homeowner on the west side of Bunn Drive stated that he would talk to the homeowner on the east side of Bunn Drive to see if he would agree to the path on his property. Mr. Magnus questioned the 26 feet that was marked out and Mr. Bunge said that he has to maintain 2 feet of clearance from everything out there.

BUILDINGS AND PARKS – JODI MAY

None.

PUBLIC WORKS – DAN BARBER

Mr. Barber was approached by the homeowner at 431 N. Bridge Street in reference to their street being in poor condition. Mr. Barber provided the Committee with photos of the street and stated that the homeowners would like to know when the street is going to be fixed because they are want to redo their driveway. Mr. Barber got a price from Mr. Bunge in the amount of \$5,000 if the street maintenance repair is added on to the

current street maintenance this year. The Committee advised Mr. Barber that they will attempt to do the repair this year, but if the money isn't there then they will repair it next year.

Mr. Barber provided the Committee with a monthly report for the Public Works Department and asked if anyone had questions regarding the report. The Committee didn't have any questions.

Mr. Barber discussed the Public Works garage roof with the Committee. Mr. Barber stated that when it rains there is water pouring in from the roof in the garage and he is concerned because of the equipment/supplies in the garage. Mr. Barber explained that he isn't purchasing the ½ ton truck this year and instead he would like to get bids from four companies for repairing or replacing the roof at the garage. Mr. Fridly stated to get some numbers and the Committee will give Mr. Barber direction what to do from there.

Mr. Barber added that he received a price from Michael Todd for ten handicap signs in the amount of \$2,971.20. Mayor Adams advised Mr. Barber to wait and see what happens with Highway 75 and the parking situation.

Mr. Barber also advised the Committee that he spoke with someone from IDOT and they are looking to use Village Hall for a meeting with the utility companies. Mr. Barber advised that he will be stopping by to make sure the conference room area is large enough to hold the meeting.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR – DON SELF

Mr. Self stated that he received an email from Steve Cofoid at Hononegah High School in reference to intramural sports (baseball) at the Rockton Athletic Complex. Mr. Self wanted input from the Committee as far as what they would charge to let the high school use the fields/lights. Mr. Self said that the Village charges \$20/hour for the field and \$50/hour for the lights. The Committee agreed to charge the high school \$35/hour for the use of the field and lights.

Mr. Self said that he received a phone call from a resident of the Village that would like to donate curved landscape bricks to the Village. Mr. Self advised that he will take a look at them and decide if they can be utilized for possible fire pits along the Race. Mr. Self added that he will check with the insurance company and see what the Village's liability is if he built fire pits on Village property.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS ALLOWED BY LAW

Mr. Barber advised that he will not be at the next Committee meeting and that Bruce Werrbach from the Public Works Department will be attending that evening.

ADJOURN

Motion by Mrs. May, second by Mr. Magnus to adjourn at 6:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Stewart
Village Clerk