

Public Works Committee Meeting
June 18, 2020
Minutes

Called to Order: @ 4:30 pm

Present: Chairman - Trustee Steve Nero, Trustee Linda Liddle, Village Manager Steve May, Mayor Ron Gunter, Village Clerk Jinny Szymiski, Public Works Director Mike Ramsey, Finance Director Spencer Parker,, Trustee Jim Addington, Trustee Bruce Barker, Water Supervisor Jim Cates, Streets Supervisor Melissa Brendle, Fleet Supervisor Virgil Viscuso.

Pledge of Allegiance - Due to Covid-19 this was a virtual meeting and Chairman Nero waived the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from December 19, 2019 were approved by Trustee Liddle , second Trustee Barker.

New Business:

- A. 2020 is a big year for Public Works, as several Public Works Employees hit a milestone this year with the Village. Frank Kulas celebrates 20 years of service. Frank started on January 30, 2000 and has done a great job. Frank also follows in his Father's footsteps, Frank Kulas Sr. who worked for the Village for 30 plus years. Frank's plaque was presented today at lunchtime in front of staff. Jeff Bonk - Street Division Foreman, has been here twenty years and received his plaque a couple of weeks ago at lunchtime. Jeff has also done a great job with the Village. He is in charge of our stormwater maintenance program. Jim Cates - Water Division Supervisor, is also with the Village for 20 years, he started in May of 2000. Prior to that date he worked as a seasonal employee with the Street Division. Congratulations to all 20 year employees.
- B. New Public Works Facility - Thank you to Glen & his daughter Ashley Liljeburg for making a video with a drone of our new facility. Video was shown and narrated by Public Works Director Mike Ramsey. Ribbon cutting planned for November 10, 2020 and will be a great way to kick off the Village's 99th Anniversary.

Reports :

A. Chairperson - Thank you to Public Works crews.

B. Public Works Director

- 1) Model Water Tower building regionals, 150 students competed. There were 16 finalists from the area. Unfortunately due to Covid-19 we were unable to have the state finals. We are hopeful to hold at Westmont Junior High this fall, providing kids are back in school.

- 2) Operator in training program with Westmont High School - Worked with Matt Heiden for 16 weeks, he passed the final 86%. He is currently getting ready for the EPA exam when they reopen.

C. Street Division

- 1) Sinkhole repairs - currently working in the Oakwood Subdivision. Have completed 7 repairs from a list of 30. Pending any delays hopeful to have 90% done by the end of September.
- 2) Spring Tree planting program - 130 trees were planted this spring. Pasquinelli Beautification project is 95% complete, there are approximately 10 trees left to plant.
- 3) Alleys - Typically trimming begins at the end of summer and consists of an 8 man crew and will take a minimum of two weeks to complete. Currently going on resident requests.

D. Water Division

- 1) Well #13 - demolition is complete
- 2) North Washington Watermain - on February 27th, 2020 the contract was awarded, but currently on hold due to Covid-19 and budget restrictions.
- 3) CCR Annual Report - the 2019 Consumer Confidence Report has been posted on the Village website. Copies are also available at the Village Hall.
- 4) Water Samples - The Village takes 30 samples a month, due to Covid-19 and business being closed we have run into issues with obtaining samples. We have three new sites: Cove Park at Williams & Cove Ln., 35th & Oakwood, and a yard hydrant at the Aviary.

E. Engineering Division

- 1) North Lincoln Parking Lot - Continuing to work on, project on hold for now due to budget.
- 2) 61st & Richmond Detention Basin - contract signed and mailed this morning, project will start soon.
- 3) Ogden Median Project - waiting on permit from IDOT

F. Facilities

- 1) Pedestrian Lights at Quincy and Cass - solar panels installed.
- 2) Board Room - Due to Community Development meetings, barriers have been installed to help protect staff.

G. Fleet Maintenance Division

- 1) Vehicles - Water Division received a new Water Meter Van and 1 Ton - both are in use. Facilities also received a new vehicle.
- 2) Cameras - Installed and operational.
- 3) Auction - 16 vehicles and trailers

- 4) Fuel Pumps/Mediation - Pending results from Resource Consultants, should know within 1 month.

Meeting motioned to adjourn at 5:25 pm by Trustee Liddle , seconded by Trustee Addington.
All in favor.