

Public Works Committee Meeting
September 24, 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 Bruce Barker, Trustee Harold Barry, Water Supervisor Jim Cates, Trustee Marie Guzzo, Street Supervisor Melissa Brendle, Fleet Supervisor Virgil Viscuso.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from June 18, 2020 were approved by Trustee Liddle, second Trustee Barker .

Public Comment: A resident asked if the Village would lower water rates during a drought period. The Committee discussed the request.

New Business:

- A. 20 Year Plaque, Jim Bourke - Plaque presented to Jim.
- B. Soil Boring Testing at Street Division - Addition soil boring is being required by the EPA for remediation.
- C. New Village Fueling Center - First phase has been approved, contractor is getting required permits. The first phase will consist of installing underground tanks. The second phase will be in the spring. Planned opening of Fueling Center is next summer, most likely July 4th.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Update on new Public Works Facility - Building is 85% complete, furniture for the Administrative part of the building to be delivered next Tuesday. Lifts have been installed, resin flooring to be installed in the garage week after next. Still planning on November 10th ribbon cutting.

Reports :

- A. **Chairperson** - Nothing
- B. **Public Works Director**

- 1) Alley C Update - Brick will be done next week, phase 2 will start the first week of October and should be completed the first week of November.
- 2) 61st 7 Richmond Detention Basin Update - 95% complete. Left to do is planting of eight trees, should be done in the next week or two. Waiting for cooler weather.
- 3) Ogden Ave. Median Project Update - Our portion is complete, some work to be done in spring.

C. Street Division

- 1) Alleys (Trimming and Base Failures) - Currently trimming in the alleys, working on complaints received. Experiencing base failure in some alleys, the one by Kiwanis Park is very bad. Can be done in house, will need to go 3-5' down.
- 2) Derecho (clean up) - Five parkway trees were ripped completely out of the ground. Took staff 3-4 weeks to complete all trimming of damaged branches/trees.
- 3) Sinkhole Update - to date 16 sinkholes have been fixed, hoping on having another 5-10 done by winter.

D. Water Division

- 1) Lead and Copper Testing - Recently completed mandatory testing, 30 tests taken. This is done every 3 years, next one due 2023.
- 2) Water Main Breaks - Staff repaired six water main breaks between August 30th and September 11th. Cause believed to be drought, once we had rain they stopped just as quickly as they started. Area of impact: Des Moines, South Cass Ave., 59th Street.
- 3) RRA/ERP 2021 - Kick-off meeting was September 21st.

E. Engineering Division

- 1) North Lincoln Parking Lot Project - update of project, on agenda for approval at tonight's Village Board meeting.
- 2) BNSF/Metra Crossing work - Work to begin week of September 28th, will be in several phases. The first phase will be new pedestrian gates, the second phase will be rail replacement which will start the first or second week of October. Traffic will not be affected.

F. Facilities

- 1) UV Protection for Village Buildings - Looked into UV for HVAC system for all buildings, \$120,000. Four to eight light bulbs, they will last 20,000 hours, or 2 years. They will sterilize bacteria in the air.
- 2) Upgrade filter Merv grade for Village Buildings - These filters are more efficient, have more pleats and are thicker than normal filters. Cost would be \$400 per set, for Village Hall, \$800 per month. Benefit would be better air

filtration. Cost would be 100% reimbursed under the CARES Act, but must be purchased prior to December 31st, 2020.

G. Fleet Maintenance Division

- 1) Decommission of the Gas Pumps at Streets - Working closely with Resource Consulting and the EPA. The Village gas pumps will be red tagged by the Fire Marshall on October 30th, and shut off.
- 2) Village Staff Speedway Fleet Cards - All current cards expire on November 1st, each Department will be given new cards.

Meeting motioned to adjourn at 5:45 pm by Trustee Liddle, seconded by Trustee Barker. All in favor.