

Public Works Committee Meeting
September 21, 2023
Minutes

Called to Order: @ 4:30 pm

Present: Chairman - Chairman - Trustee Steve Nero, Trustee Bruce Barker, Trustee Linda Liddle, Trustee Marie Guzzo, Trustee Frank Brady, Mayor Ron Gunter, Village Manager Steve May, Assistant Village Manager Spencer Parker, Village Clerk Jinny Szynski, Public Works Director Amy Ries, Fire Chief Riley, Police Chief Gunther, Fleet Supervisor Virgil Viscuso, Forestry Supervisor Jon Yeater, Water Supervisor Brian Beusse.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from June 15, 2023 were approved by Trustee Barker, second by Trustee Liddle.

Open Forum:

No members of the public wished to speak.

Unfinished Business:

- A. None

New Business:

- A. School Walk Route maps/Safe Routes to School - A resolution is on the board agenda for this evening.
- B. Downtown Streetscape Phase 2 - A vision meeting will be scheduled for November 17, 2023, to allow businesses input.
- C. Fire Department Headquarters Facility discussion - The building was built in 1991, and is deteriorating at a fast rate. Staff has outgrown this building. We have considerably more staff than in 1991. There is mold in the building, roof/tuckpointing around hose tower is bad. A decision needs to be made as how to proceed; addition, rebuild.

Reports :

A. Chairperson

- 1) Nothing

B. Public Works Director -

- 1) Service Awards - Brian Beusse received a plaque for his 20 years of service to the Village. Tim Harmer received a plaque for his 40 years of service to the Village.
- 2) Construction Updates: Alley G - project is complete except for landscaping. Alley H - Permeable pavement will be poured next week. Sidewalk projects - substantially complete with the exception of punch list items. Those will be completed in the next couple of weeks. Streetscape - Several items completed in the last few weeks: light poles are done, some landscaping. Starting September 22nd, traffic will be rerouted as the pull out by the Metra station will be demo'd. Brick installation to start week of October 2nd, 2023. Project to be completed by Halloween. Residential Alleys: 1S - utilities going in next week(3rd block), first two blocks - poured next week. Completion hopeful for November 17th. Alley 12N - Contractor planning on starting October 2nd and will get done as much as possible before winter shut down(mid-December).

C. Street Division

- 1) Ditch grading - 1,500' completed
- 2) Sewer Jetting/Basin Cleaning - Jetter is out every day, not as many flooding issues as in the past.
- 3) Sidewalk Repairs - removed 60 trip hazards.

D. Water Division

- 1) Watermain: Linden, Dallas, Warwick - substantially finished, replaced 9 lead services. Punch list items to be finished this fall.
- 2) AMI antennas - working with IT, plan to be up and running by the end of the year.
- 3) Lead Services - working diligently on this project, our deadline with the EPA is April, 2024. Currently we have 6,551 services, 1,733 public services unknown, 809 private services unknown, 127 lead services, and 92 galvanized.

E. Fleet/Facilities Division

- 1) Facilities Update: Building demo's - 21 N. Lincoln is down, grass growing, Toon(109 N. Cass) down, grass starting to grow. 13-21 E. Burlington - should be completely down by Monday and will have grass. Buildings:

PD/FD - has new boilers, new water heater. Elevator at Village Hall finally back up and running.

- 2) Vehicle Update - future trucks have been ordered, expect delivery date of 2025. Have received 6 Durangos, they are currently being outfitted for PD.

F. Forestry & Grounds Division

- 1) Tree Planting - Planned for November
- 2) Tree Pruning contract - 2,274 trees trimmed. Currently working on next contract. Expect to go out to bid at the beginning of October. Focus area southwest.
- 3) Alley Trimming - was completed in August.

Meeting motioned to adjourn at 5:49 pm by Trustee Liddle, seconded by Trustee Barker. All in favor.