

MEETING MINUTES: PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE FOR VILLAGE OF WINNECONNE

Minutes For:

Tuesday, February 05, 2019 @ 5:00 p.m. at Municipal Building, Annex Room, to consider;

Public Participation - *None*

Communications - *None*

Approve Minutes from January 07, 2019 meeting – *Motion by Ruetten, second by Boucher to approve minutes from January 9th, 2019; 2-0 approve.*

Operations Progress:

Field Supervisor Report – Josh Janikowski/ DPW: *Report Attached*

MCO Report – DPW Kirk Ruetten: *Report Attached*

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Old Business

Village Hall Corrections

- Update

- *Public Works Director updated Committee that final inspection was approved;*
- *Final paperwork for warranties and guarantees are being put together;*
- *Final bill of \$1,693,661, over budget by \$193,661;*
- *Questions from public on roof process and expenses Village incurred for the repairs.*

Village Projects and Priority

- Update

- *PWD discusses long-term road plan status and introduces Twin Harbor project discussion;*
- *Elevation is being adjusted to help with drainage;*
- *McMahon Engineer Brad Werner reviews drawings;*
 - *Utilized comments from the last Public Works Committee meeting;*
 - *New storm sewer work at 6th Avenue intersection in both the north and southwestern quadrants;*
 - *Took into account the drainage from 6th, 7th, and 8th Avenues;*
 - *Storm drains will remain as well as improving mini-storm facilities;*
 - *Additional ponding at 8th Avenue intersection was brought up by citizens;*
 - *Channel issues with mud and debris in the storm pipes could also cause the water backup problems;*
 - *Questions from residents (Al Kreuger, Tom Anderson) on costs for projects;*
 - *Potential to get on without new curbs or narrowing of street?*
 - *Reduced expenses with the narrower road?*
 - *Werner reviewed the geo-grid product and how it will help longevity of road;*
 - *Both, water, to the right-of-way, and sewer laterals, into the home, are being replaced during project;*
 - *Question from Kreuger on possibility of narrowing the street but keep the existing curb/gutter;*
 - *It is their second time paying for a reconstruction and it wasn't done right the first time;*
 - *Was low-bid the first time and turned out poor;*
 - *Werner clarifies that Village takes lowest qualified bidder, allowing them flexibility;*
 - *Discussion on idea of premature failure vs the traditional life of a roadway being 25-years;*
 - *Plan moving forward would be to let project in March then work on special assessments for late March;*
 - *Project should take between 3-4 months;*
 - *Emergency access will be maintained throughout;*

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- *Comments from Anderson regarding keeping road the same width as-is;*
- *Werner discusses the idea of slowing traffic with narrower streets;*
- *Next steps for project and the setting of the special assessment was questioned by Krueger;*
- *Uniformity and consistency of application is something the Board has been trying to get to noted Public Works Director;*
- *New estimate with a 37-foot road but only partial curb/gutter replacement would be similar to original plan, but open road up for real issues;*
- *Lots of discussion over costs savings at which point Boucher comments that there is no “\$3,000 savings we can pull out of thin air”. It has to be done right, without skimping;*
- *Committee likes standards that have been set previously but are open to discussion the cost-share;*
- *Motion by Ruetten, second by Boucher to approve design consistent with current road standards; 2-0 approve;*
- *Also, a request to have Village Board consider cost-share arrangement to deal with it being the second time for this road.*

Well and Water Quality

- Update
 - *Public Works Director updated committee on status of Preliminary Engineering Report being submitted to DNR and now time to set public information meetings;*
- Discussion
 - *Committee sets Public Information dates of March 4th at 11am and March 5th at 5:30pm.*

Village Leaf Pick-up

- Discussion
 - *Tabled*

New Business

PSC Draft Rate Study

- Update
 - *Public Works Director reviewed Public Service Commission Draft rates and Schenck recommended sewer rates;*
 - *Public Hearing is on Friday at 10am;*
 - *Discussion on lowering the sewer rates for a year or two to offset burden of higher water rights. What is the absolute lowest we can go?*
 - *Will contact Schenck about lowering sewer rates further to help offset water increase;*
 - *Village has also turned in the “Ill never do it again” letter to DNR;*
 - *Village will go along with increase or else we will have a several month delay, but the rationale given by the PSC is sound.*

Hydrocorp Proposal for CCC Program

- Discussion
 - *Public Works Director reviews proposal for Cross Connection Control program;*
 - *2-year agreement with decreased prices after second year;*
 - *Only firm in the state and has good references;*
 - *Other option is to do it in-house with only 50% participation for commercial/industrial.*
- Recommendation
 - *Tabled until next meeting.*

Listening Device Proposal

- Discussion
 - *Public Works Director reviewed proposal for listening device;*
 - *Other contracts and firms have done it for Village, but this would be made up in one-year of use;*

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- *PWD will reach out to other communities about joint purchase due to high cost.*
- Recommendation
 - *Tabled until next meeting.*

Motion made by Ruetten, second by Boucher to adjourn at 7:50pm until March 4th at 10am; 2-0 approve.

Kirk Ruetten
Public Works Director

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