

Town of Liberty Grove
Minutes of the Highway Committee on August 1, 2022

Agenda:

1. Call to order
2. Declaration of quorum
3. Approve Agenda
4. Approve Minutes: 6-6-2022
5. Public input
6. Parking issues: Garrett Bay/USPO/Island Cider, Cottage Rd at N. Woodland
7. Report on Current Projects
8. Budget for 2023
9. Public works projects in relation to 5-year plan
10. Correspondence
11. Future meetings
12. Adjourn

Committee Chair Dale Stewart called the meeting to order at 7:57am. Committee members Janet Johnson and Walter Kalms were present along with Clerk/Treasurer Anastasia Bell and 1 member of the public. Committee member Jay Olson was excused.

Johnson moved, Kalms second to approve the agenda as posted. Carried 3-0.

Kalms moved, Stewart second to approve the 6-6-22 minutes as corrected. Carried 3-0.

Public Input – Marc Savard, Wildwood Road, stated that there should be more items considered when determining if a driveway requires a culvert. Such items include which direction the water currently flows, is the ground pitched correctly, what is the correct size for flow, and should they be inspected and/or monitored after installation. He also asked who is financially responsible since it is in the Right-of-Way. Stewart noted that the driveway ordinance often gets push-back from the community. The Committee may establish criteria at a future meeting. Committee member Bill Surbaugh arrived at 8:05am. Surbaugh asked if a deadline could be imposed on the State to repair the manhole issue at the Intersection of Beach Road and Highway 42. Kalms indicated he will contact the DOT again.

Parking issues – Stewart noted several intersections that become hazardous when people park on both sides of the road. He asked if the Town placed the no parking signs across from the post office. Johnson asked if no parking symbols could be painted on the road and enforced by the sheriff. Kalms noted all items in the right-of-way need to be approved by the Town and he will contact the property owners to request the parking cease and the unauthorized signs are removed.

Current Projects – Kalms reported that paving is done, Sister Bay has paid their portion, stripes have been painted in Ellison Bay, and we haven't received shouldering invoices. Cedar Dell is being prepped for 2023 and the Highway Commissioner has not responded to the Ellison Bay crosswalk request.

Speed Limit Lakeview Road – **Surbaugh moved, Kalms second** to recommend the Town Board reduce the speed limit to 25mph on Lakeview Road between Mink River Road and Highway 42. Stewart noted trees may need to be trimmed to make the signs more visible. Carried 3-1 (Johnson).

Crosswalk on Europe Bay Road – Doug Curzon, Old School Road, indicated that there was a crosswalk painted on this road between the Bethel Baptist Church and parking lot that wasn't repainted after 2021 paving. **Stewart moved, Surbaugh second** to paint the crosswalk on Europe Bay Road as it was before paving. Carried 4-0.

2023 Budget – The 2023 budget draft was reviewed, Kalms noted the \$110,000 for the mower is accurate estimate. The Village has expressed interest in widening Country Lane to 24-feet which would increase the cost by 15,000. Europe Bay is deteriorating quickly and needs a lot of trees cut. Stewart noted that bike paths separate from roads are less expensive because the base of the path does not have to be equal to that of the road. Add 55,000 to capital improvements for maintenance upgrades. It is starting to become

apparent that the base of Old Stage may have been damaged when the road was used as a detour a few years ago. Kalms will contact engineers to see if they have experienced this to see if funds could be available to assist with the repair. **Stewart moved, Surbaugh second** to recommend the Highway budget of \$994,500 for 2023 to Finance. Carried 4-0.

Correspondence – Kalms noted several letters from the DNR regarding rip rap that that may have been installed without permits.

The next Highway meetings will be Monday, September 12, 2022, at 8:00am.

Surbaugh moved, Kalms second to adjourn at 9:15am. Carried 4-0

Respectfully submitted,

Anastasia Bell, Clerk/Treasurer

Approved at the 9/12/2022 Highway Committee meeting.