

Town of Liberty Grove
Minutes of the Highway Committee meeting on February 26, 2024

Agenda:

1. Call to order
2. Declaration of quorum
3. Approve agenda
4. Approve minutes from 1/8/24
5. Public input
6. Dip in Beach Road
7. Town Street Lights
8. Mission Statement
9. Consider soliciting bids/quotes for 2024 paving
10. Correspondence
11. Future meeting date(s)
12. Adjourn

Chairman Dale Stewart called the meeting to order at 9:00am. Committee members Walter Kalms, Dale Stewart, Billy Appel, and Bill Surbaugh were present with, Clerk/Treasurer Pamela Donart-Welcome, and one member of the public.

Appel moved, Surbaugh seconded to approve the agenda as amended to switch order of item #9 and item #6 **Carried 4 - 0**

Surbaugh moved, Kalms seconded to approve the 1/8/24 minutes as presented. **Carried 4 - 0**

Public input: Paul Schwengel of 824 Top O The Thumb Lane would like to see a digital speed limit sign placed on Hwy 42 just north of Isle View Road, reminding northbound drivers to slow down to the posted 25 mph in Gills Rock (a sign like the one we have entering Ellison Bay), in order to make pedestrian traffic safer when walking along the shoulder. Billy Appel would like the Town to consider treating gravel roads with calcium chloride to firm them up while waiting for possible future paving.

Kalms clarified that the request for paving bids have the following changes/additions: Going 100' extra into Fieldcrest Road (charged out to the Village), clarification that the Town & the Village get funding aid on 0.65 mi of the 1.15 mi of Country Lane, and to clarify on the Old Stage, STH 57 to Woodcrest, the Town gets TRIP funds. Finally, the date for bid submission will be changed from March 25th to March 22nd. **Surbaugh moved, Appel seconded** to approve the ad for requesting bids for paving for 2024 as amended. **Carried 4 - 0**

Kalms noted that Randy at the County Highway Dept will prioritize fixing the dip in Beach Road in Spring 2024.

Stewart wants to address in future meetings the criteria for street light placement, inquire about the cost of changing the sodium streets light to LED, to save the Town taxpayers from unnecessary costs in electricity, as well as satisfying the Dark Sky designation of Newport Park.

Stewart would like to keep the Mission Statement on the agenda occasionally to keep it from becoming a lost idea.

Correspondence: none

Future Meeting(s): The next meeting date/time was scheduled for March 22 at 8:00am.

Appel moved, Surbaugh seconded to adjourn at 9:39am. **Carried 4 - 0**

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Donart-Welcome, Clerk/Treasurer
Approved 3/22/24