

VILLAGE OF FRIENDSHIP

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING – Wednesday, May 29th, 2024– Page 1

The Public Works Committee meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. in the Public Works Building. In attendance were President Tony Sindelar, Chairman Jason Pierce, and committee member Melvin Waller; also in attendance were Public Works Director Brent Frank, and citizen Jerry Sonnenberg. Bob Berry was not able to attend.

The agenda for the meeting was:

- 1} Roll Call
- 2} Approve meeting minutes from April 25th, 2024
- 3} Citizen input
- 4} Go over East Lake Street property agreement
- 5} Update on nuisance properties
- 6} Update on Hwy 13 road project and light replacement
- 7} Update on water meter installations, go over Hydro Corp agreement
- 8} Update on beach and park, any repairs needed for the 2024 season
- 9} Adjournment

A majority of the Village Board may be present, but no Board action is contemplated.

Approval of April 25th, 2024, Minutes

Motion by Waller, second by Pierce to approve the April 25th, 2024, Public Works Minutes, motion carried.

Citizen input

Jerry Sonnenberg had a question about the agreement on the East Lake Street property.

Why would we put a limit on the dollar amount that we were going to spend to do the cleanup when they're going to have to pay it regardless of what it is, because right now we are saying the most we can bill them for is \$6,000?

Sindelar stated that the bid came in around that amount. That is how much it was to do the job. The Village tried to stick to that number.

Sonnenberg stated that he thinks we need to move forward with something that shows some real action. He thinks that's what people want the Village to do. He's just relaying what he has heard in the community.

Go over East Lake Street property agreement

The Committee went over the agreement from the East Lake Street property.

Waller wanted to know where the Village stands as far as money on the property.

Sindelar stated that there is several hundred dollars left out of the \$6,000. The biggest thing is to get the property owner to do the curd appeal, and that part falls on them to get that done to the property. Sindelar hasn't been able to get in touch with the landowner. The Committee talked about from the road what you can see that needs to be removed for that curb appeal. The Committee would like to see the brown car, trailer, green truck & topper, the stuff in front of the entryway, the vehicles in the back yard, and homemade trailer in the backyard be removed. **Motion** by Pierce, second by Waller to proceed per the agreement, motion carried.

Update on nuisance properties

Frank stated that everyone that received a letter has made some headway on getting their property cleaned up. Pierce stated they could do a drive around next month to check on everyone's progress.

Update on Hwy 13 road project and lighting replacement

Frank didn't have much of an update. They are on schedule to have the October compilation done for Hwy 13. Frank said the lights should be shipping sometime in August. Frank will try to get an update at the next project meeting. Sindelar asked what the new lights will look like, and brightness. Frank will ask and get the Committee the information from the DOT.

Update on water meter installations, go over Hydro Corp agreement

Frank stated that he had emailed Hydro Corp and the response he received was that for them to come back the workers would be on a flat daily rate of \$1,430 a day. That would consist of \$110 per installation x 13 timeslots per day. Frank said there's 37 meters that still need to be switched out. Frank was given permission by the PSC to shut the water off if we needed to update our equipment. Frank also stated that both Hydro Corp, and he tagged doors trying to get residents to make their appointments with Hydro Corp when they were still here. The Committee decided they would talk with Attorney Flanagan about the agreement and see what could be done going forward.

Mauston plumbing submitted a quote for \$1,200 to redo the plumbing at ACEC so that the new meters would work with their system. The Committee is going to run that by Attorney Flanagan as well to see who is responsible for paying that.

Frank passed out copies of the professional service agreements for renewing the cross-connection inspections for the commercial properties. A two-year agreement. Frank will get an updated list of inspections that will need to be done.

Update on beach and park, any repairs needed for the 2024 season

Frank stated that the new meter is installed at the beach. The water is turned on at the park and the beach. The men's room has a new showerhead at the beach. Pierce asked if everything was in good running shape at the park/beach? Frank stated that one changing stall in the men's room has a broken door and so are the hinges. It looks like someone was hanging on the door. So that will need to be fixed. Frank is still planning on staining the bridge.

Adjournment

Motion by Waller, second Pierce to adjourn the meeting, motion carried.

Rebecca Reuter
Deputy Clerk