

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
VILLAGE OF SOMERSET
February 7, 2024

Donnie Kern called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Present at the Village Hall: Brandon Krohn, Donnie Kern, Bob Gunther, and Chuck Schwartz, MSA, Caleb Garn (5:39)

Present via Zoom: Chris Dubak

Minutes

Committee reviewed the January 10, 2024, Public Works minutes. *Motion by Krohn, second by Kern to approve the January 10, 2024, Public Works meeting minutes and motion carried.*

Public Comment

No Public Comment

Project Updates

General Updates on Active Projects: A project update memo was provided.

- Pine Vale is waiting for approval from the DNR.

Unfinished Business

Ordinance – Future Fiber Optic: A handout was provided.

- Kern questioned if we stick with ordinance 14-1-59 and change what is in red or go with ordinance 14-1-69? Krohn wants to go with Ordinance 14-1-69
- Keep Ordinance 14-1-59 and add 14-1-69

Motion by Krohn second by Garn to recommend to the Village Board approval of Ordinance - Future Fiber Optic in specific amending 14-1-59 and adopting 14-1-69 and motion carried.

Spring Parks Improvements-Items Needed and Completion Timeline:

- Krohn updated the committee on a proposal from Totes My Goats for clearing the brush at the Disc Golf Course. As part of this proposal, would like to bring back the signs – would like to purchase signs now so we can get sponsorship. \$7785/goats & \$2500/signs
- Kern would like to see a couple of pickle ball courts at Larry Forrest, painting bathrooms at Vets Park (wasn't completed last year). Check in to having a dog park, that could be less than \$2500. Fix up the pavilions, check in to grants if possible.
- Krohn would like to get signs first. Goats will draw people to the disc golf course. Kern questioned for 1 week? Garn questioned what the brush removal would be if it were to be done by machines?
- Kern would like \$10,000 to each park, Larry Forrest, Vets & La Grandeur.
- Gunther said budget time is when money should be allocated to items like basketball courts. The board needs to remember this stuff at budget time. Gunther also said instead of trying to stay within budget, another way to do things is to issue debt. That way you can get more done than a bunch of little things that don't amount to much.
- Garn said a referendum could be a possibility.

Motion by Garn, second by Krohn to recommend to the Village Board approval of La Grandeur Totes My Goats this summer and signs for Disc Golf at La Grandeur, painting of the bathrooms at Veterans Park, Larry Forrest, Village Park, and funds for fencing for a dog park at Village Park and motion carried.

New Business

Main Street Bridge Pay App #6: A pay app was provided.

Motion by Krohn, second by Garn to recommend to the Village Board approval of the Main Street Bridge Pay App #6 to Lunda Construction in the amount of \$4,734.68 and motion carried.

Generator Power Systems – Maintenance Contract: A contract was provided.

- Annual maintenance agreement.
- Gunther said to redact Attachment B from the price. That is for the WWTF, it's already covered by the manufacturer.

Motion by Garn, second by Krohn to recommend to the Village Board approval of the Generator Power Systems-Maintenance Contract minus Attachment B (\$2275.00) in the amount of \$5,615.00 and motion carried.

2024 CORP Plan Scheduling & Implementation:

- Best way to get a survey out – Spartan Scoop – can get to all community members.
- Form an ADHOC Committee with village residents, school athletic director, student, Champions. Cap at 5-7 people.
- Get committee together & meet before next Public Works meeting. Come up with questions for the survey.
- Bring back the Village Park plan from 2018.

Public Works Department Report

- An update memo was provided.

Public Works, Water, Sewer and Parks Bills

- The committee reviewed the bills.

Motion by Krohn, seconded by Garn to recommend to the Village Board approval of the Public Works, Water, Sewer and Parks Bills as presented and motion carried.

Future Agenda Items

- 2024 CORP Survey

Adjourn

Motion by Garn, seconded by Krohn to adjourn and the Public Works Committee meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.