

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
VILLAGE OF SOMERSET
March 12, 2025

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

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

Present via Zoom: Ryan Sicard

Minutes

Committee reviewed the February 12, 2025 Public Works minutes. *Motion by Garn, second by Krohn to approve the February 12, 2025 Public Works meeting minutes and motion carried.*

Public Comment

- Chris Halle ~ In favor of a dog park, just not at LaGrandeur Disk Golf.
- Deb Kohler ~ Could have a dog park around the hockey rink area, not at Village Park.

Project Updates

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

- TID #5 Lift Station & Utility Extension ~ Schwartz updated the committee about the State stepping in and getting the County involved. The DOT, County & Village will have a meeting.
- Winesap Prairie ~ There are some erosion control and disturbances that need to be addressed. Gunther will reach out to the DNR.

Unfinished Business

Timeline on Meetings with the Public on Village Park Improvements:

- Garn would like to pick a date for the next meeting in the park:
May 7th at 6pm
May 8th Rain Date

Motion by Garn, second by Krohn to schedule May 7th at 6pm and a rain date of May 8th for the Timeline on Meetings with the Public on Village Park Improvements and motion carried.

New Business

AT & T Lease Renewal: A handout was provided.

- Gunther explained that AT & T has towers on our downtown water tower.
- The attorney is reviewing the legal language.
- After much discussion, they will submit a counteroffer.

Motion by Garn, second by Krohn to recommend to the Village Board option 3 with the caveat of increasing the additional cost of \$600.00 to \$660.00 per month fee and index the same percentage increase every 5 years as the rent starting effective 2026 with a 25 year lease and motion carried.

Water Tower No. 1 Reconditioning Proposal – KLM Engineering: A proposal was provided.

Motion by Kern, second by Krohn to recommend to the Village Board approval of the Water Tower No. 1 Reconditioning Proposal – KLM Engineering as presented, and motion carried.

Pickle Ball Quote – Larry Forrest: Quotes were provided.

- Kern would like to get this done this year. If the lower quote can't get to it fast enough, would like to spend the extra \$2300.00 to have the other guy do it so we can utilize the courts this year. This would come back to the committee

Motion by Krohn, second by Garn to recommend to the Village Board approval of Court Surfaces & Repair, Inc. in the amount of \$29,650.00 (to get to it as soon as possible) and motion carried.

Discussion from Kern, it should happen this summer. If it's not going to happen in 2025 then it should come back to the Board or this committee for other consideration.

TID #5 Lift Station & Utility Extension Task Order #1: A task order was provided.

- Gunther & Schwartz will go back over the task order to get a summary of the charges.

Motion by Kern, second by Krohn to table TID #5 Lift Station & Utility Extension Task Order #1 to next month and motion carried.

2025 Road Resurfacing Projects

- Hud, Parnell, Main, Reed, Shay, Evergreen Dr (to the 1st cul-de-sac), Red Pine Dr, La Grandeur, Raymond and Germain Street

Dog Park Locations

- Kern thought he had a space that could be leased to the Village – that hasn't materialized.
- Gunther asked if this has been brought up at any of the joint meetings with the town? Kern said yes. Gunther said the town has some land by the Town Hall.
- Kern said to table for the time being.

Public Works Department Report

- An update memo was provided.
- Kern said the guys did a good job plowing.

Public Works, Water, Sewer and Parks Bills

- The committee reviewed the bills.

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

Future Agenda Items

- Discussion – Ball Field Location with the School

Adjourn

Motion by Garn, seconded by Krohn to adjourn and motion carried. The Public Works Committee meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.