

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
VILLAGE OF SOMERSET
October 8, 2025

Chairman Brandon Krohn called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

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

Minutes

Committee reviewed the September 10, 2025 Public Works minutes. *Motion by Garn, second by Plourde to approve the September 10, 2025 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.

- Neumann Farms Athletic Complex - Should have a concept plan ready for the November meeting.

Unfinished Business

Parks:

- The Champions received a \$1,500.00 grant to put towards the pavilion.
- Gunther & Garn visited Lions Field, a sports complex in Waconia last week.

Way Finding Signs:

- Plourde updated the committee. Will have something to share by Friday, October 17th.

New Business

5 Year Plan: A handout was provided.

- Gunther explained the process.
- Discussion amongst the committee.
- Discussion about needs of Public Works – new building and new Village Hall.

2026 Budget/Capital Outlay: A handout was provided.

- Gunther explained the process. This is a fund to build and used to pay for things.

Department Equipment Needs: Quotes were provided.

- Tool Cat is gone 3-4 hours a day when dragging ball fields. Recommend getting the Toro Sand Pro 5040 for fields. The cost is in Capital Outlay for 2026.
- Our current Bobcat is in need of replacement. Gunther suggests not trading it and to sell on our own.
- Have a request for a snow pusher quote. The quote was not received prior to meeting.

Motion by Garn, second by Plourde to recommend to the Village Board approval of the Department Equipment Needs Quotes including the Snow Pusher Quote and motion carried.

Fee Schedule – Ball Field: A handout was provided.

- ISA wants to use the lights at the parks. It's not a public benefit. Taxpayers shouldn't have to pay for it.
- The committee needs to come up with a fee schedule based on 3 priorities.

Motion by Krohn, second by Garn to table for further discussion and motion carried.

Fee Schedule – Equipment: A handout was provided.

Motion by Plourde, second by Garn to table and motion carried.

Athletic Field Repair Quote: A quote was provided.

- The big field at Larry Forrest was repaired.

Motion by Garn, second by Plourde to recommend to the Village Board approval of the Athletic Field Repair Quote to BQ Landscapes and Irrigation in the amount of \$3,495.00 and motion carried.

Tree Removal Quotes: Quotes were provided.

- 481 Martin Way – Storm damage. Can submit for reimbursement from the storm.
- 302 Spring Street – Dead Ash tree in the right-of-way.

Motion by Garn, second by Plourde to recommend to the Village Board approval of the Tree Removal Quotes to Meyer Tree Service LLC in the amount of \$2,000.00 for 481 Martin Way and \$3,000.00 for 302 Spring Street and motion carried.

TID #5 Lift Station – Pay App #4: A pay app was provided.

Motion by Garn, second by Plourde to recommend to the Village Board approval of the TID #5 Lift Station – Pay App #4 to Haas Sons, Inc in the amount of \$84,141.85 and motion carried.

Public Works Department Report

- An update memo was provided.

Public Works, Water, Sewer and Parks Bills

- The committee reviewed the bills.

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

Future Agenda Items

Adjourn

Motion by Plourde, seconded by Garn to adjourn and motion carried. The Public Works Committee meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.