

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING –

November 6, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT: Zack Gallagher, Brian Blankenship, Troy Lauffer

GUESTS PRESENT: Earl Isaacs, Chris Colvin, Joette Dedden, Connie Miller, Joette Dedden

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Copeland, Jamie Morley

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM by Mr. Gallagher.
2. Quorum was achieved – Three members were present.
3. Mr. Blankenship motioned to accept the September 5, 2023 minutes and Mr. Gallagher seconded.  
3 Yeas
4. Chief Copeland went over ongoing and upcoming projects for the Village:
  - a. Chief Copeland explained there were a few issues today with the OPWC Franklin Phase I project. KT Holden hit a sanitary sewer line that was not marked or on the maps provided. Currently, we are working with Choice One to find a solution, as this was where the new storm sewer lines were to be placed. The Committee asked if Warren County would be contacted and see if they would be willing to work with the Village and help cover the repair cost. Chief Copeland responded that Brian Keith was in contact.
  - b. Chief Copeland provided PY38 (2024) OPWC Franklin Phase II information. He explained that the Village scored a 64, which generally would qualify the Village to be selected. However, all other municipalities scored much higher than the Village. The Village will need to increase the portion they contribute to get selected next time. Chief Copeland suggested the Village increase their contribution from 21% to 41% for the PY 39 (2025) OPWC Grant application. This is to complete water lines, stormwater lines, and mill and fill Franklin from Old Stage to Lytle Road. Mr. Gallagher asked that Chief Copeland consult with Ms. Crockett and the Finance Committee to ensure the funding is available.
  - c. Chief Copeland stated that Moody's is still waiting on a few more items to begin the waterline from Well 10 to the other lines.
  - d. Fed Excavating will begin replacing catch basins around town. Still waiting on a few parts for the big one in the median on Route 42.
  - e. KT Holden is doing a good job on Franklin Phase I.
5. Thank you to the Colvin Family for decorating the downtown for Christmas. A couple of streetlights on Main Street need repairs and are missing globes. Chief Copeland asked if these should be repaired or if there are plans to purchase new light posts.
6. Thank you to Mayor Isaacs and his brother Gene Isaacs for getting Veterans Park ready for Veterans Day. It looks nice.
7. The Street Department continues to pick up leaves around the Village. The leaf vac is working great.
8. Mr. Gallagher made the motion to adjourn and Mr. Lauffer seconded the motion. All were in favor of adjourning the meeting at 6:42 PM.

Jamie Morley  
Clerk to Council