

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING –

August 2, 2021 –

MEMBERS PRESENT: Zachary Gallagher, Troy Lauffer

GUESTS PRESENT: Connie Miller, Joette Dedden, Mr. Isaacs

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Copeland, Jamie Morley

1. Meeting called to order at 6:03 PM by Mr. Gallagher.
2. Quorum was achieved – Two members were present.
3. Mr. Lauffer made a motion to excuse Mr. Colvin from tonight's meeting and was seconded by Mr. Gallagher.  
2 Yeas
4. Mr. Gallagher made a motion to accept the May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 minutes and was seconded by Mr. Lauffer.  
2 Yeas
5. Mr. Gallagher made a motion to accept the June 7, 2021 minutes and was seconded by Mr. Lauffer.  
2 Yeas
6. At this time, Chief Copeland went over new and ongoing projects:
  - a. There have been several complaints of rocks ODOT used to fill in holes on the edges of Route 73 and 42. Loose gravel is dangerous to motorcyclist. The Street Department used the backhoe to remove the rocks and filled the holes with asphalt.
  - b. Two options for a new leaf vac. First option is a brand-new gasoline 87 horsepower. Second option is a refurbished diesel, 100 horsepower John Deere. The John Deere does not come with a warranty, but the company stated they would honor a one-year warranty. There is an ordinance on tonight's agenda to purchase the John Deere leaf vac for 40K. 40K is what was appropriated for the purchase of the leaf vac. Would like to see this passed as an emergency at the second reading. Will also have an ordinance at the next meeting to surplus the old leaf vac. The Committee agreed with the staff recommendation for the purchase of the diesel refurbished John Deere leaf vac.
  - c. Received the traffic study from Choice One on Route 42 and North Street this afternoon. Have not had a chance to review it but believe it supports the installation of a traffic light. Will meet with Rep. Scott Lipps, Mayor Isaacs, and ODOT to see about getting a light at Route 42 and North Street.
  - d. Received complaints about the flooding at Pat's Gas. This has been an ongoing issue for years. Working with Fed Excavating to get a proposal to clean up brush and trees behind Pat's Gas to limit the amount of debris, retrench it, damn it, and install a new, larger catch basin.

- e. Currently collecting bids to get 6" cement flooring for the cold barn. This will help protect the equipment from rodents getting in and chewing wires. The barn will also need new doors, as the old doors do not seal and have huge gaps.
  - f. Provided quote from Collett to crack fill, seal, and restripe the government parking lot. This is preventative maintenance and will prolong the life of the parking lot. Will also make the new and old parking lot look like one lot. Ordinance on tonight's agenda to pass as an emergency to have the job completed before winter. Plan to add a sign for a Veteran's parking space.
  - g. Spoke with Paul Kindal, who runs Warren County Communications, and Richard Elliott, who helped design the communication system for Warren County, about the possibility of placing a Hamm radio antenna on Ferry Tower. Both stated they did not think this was a good idea because of liability. It was recommended that if the Village allowed an antenna to be placed on Ferry Tower, a professional, bonded company be used for the installation. This would probably cost about 4K and does not think the organization will want to pay this. Mr. Kindal also stated that emergency organizations would not use Hamm radio for backup emergency purposes.
  - h. Provided photos of the storage addition to the garage at Friend's Museum. Project is coming along and looks good.
  - i. GIS of the water system is getting updated, and progress is being made.
  - j. Provided the listings of the rankings for the PY36 OPWC grant and where the Village stands.
  - k. PCI has ordered supplies and getting ready to begin rewiring the wellheads.
  - l. Contacted Wessler to begin the water model for the Village's water system.
  - m. Plan to speak with ODOT about the overgrowth of the storm drain behind Subway on Route 42. Would like for ODOT to do this because the Village does not have the equipment to maintain this.
  - n. New Elementary School project is moving along. Crews are trying to meet completion dates before school begins. They are currently slightly behind schedule. This will be a nice addition to the Village.
  - o. Street Department is repainting the curbs yellow throughout the Village.
  - p. Holding out paying epanel their final draw on the storage garage project until a few details are completed. It looks good but few minor things need to be finished and fixed.
  - q. Street Department will be taking the flags down along Main Street. Will look into quotes for replacing the light posts along Main Street.
7. Mr. Lauffer made a motion to adjourn at 6:49 PM and was seconded by Mr. Gallagher.

2 Yeas

Jamie Morley  
Clerk to Council