

Village of Hobart
Public Works Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes from Monday May 14, 2007

1. The meeting was called to order by Jerry Pahl at 6:32 pm at the Village offices. Roll was taken:
Committee Present: Jerry Pahl, Richard Happel, John Berggren, Ed Kazik, Dave Baranczyk
Alternates Present: Keith Sowinski, Jerry Lancelle, Pat Doherty

Committee Absent: None

Also present: Rick Kinney, Hobart Director Public Works,
Gene Hojan, Robert E. Lee & Ass.
Warren Fellingner 772 Brookwood Circle
Jim Rath, WPS
Michael Olesen, Utility Service Co., Watertown, WI
Tom Berendes, Water Tower Clean & Coat, La Crosse, WI

2. The committee discussed the agenda. Rick asked for Item 10 & 11 to be taken prior to Item 5. **Motion to approve the agenda as amended by Kazik, seconded by Happel. All were in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.**
3. The April 09, 2007 meeting minutes were reviewed. **Motion made to approve the minutes of April 09, 2007 as presented; by Baranczyk, seconded by Happel. All were in favor, none opposed, Motion carried.**
4. Public Comments: Pat Doherty, 1490 Kiowa Trail, presented an issue from Indian Trails Ass. Complaining about the low water in the Pond at the park in Indian Trails. He suggested the cause is the rip rap placed during the removal of the sewer riser pump from that area. This item will be placed on next months agenda.
10. Drainage Issues on Private Property/Easements: Gene Hojan of Robert E. Lee gave a brief presentation on developing drainage easements on all navigable streams in the Village of Hobart and having them signed over to the Village so the Village can go into the back yards and fix drainage problems caused by natural runoff. Several Committee members sounded strong opposition to any such idea, and stated that erosion problems caused by natural runoff on private property should be the private property owner's responsibility. This item will be studied in more detail by committee members and discussed further next month.
11. Shrovnal Drainage Way: A letter was received from Jerry Shrovnal regarding erosion on his property at the SE corner of STH 29 & CTH FF intersection. It states that erosion is occurring from runoff from across STH 29 and suggests that the Village (perhaps with the Village of Howard) do some type of flood control to prevent it from occurring. This issue falls under the topic presented in item #10. This will be looked into in greater detail by Rick and interested committee members and discussed at our next meeting.
5. Painting/Maintenance/ Cleaning of Water Tower: Two presentations were given on work that has to be done on the Water Tower:

A. Michael Olesen, representing Utility Service Co. gave a presentation on a high end maintenance program for the Village's Water Tower. His company would restore the Tower to 1st class condition and charge \$148,900 over a four year period, then charge a minimum of \$16,764 each year thereafter to keep the Tower in top shape. He

presented an inspection report complete with work examples in other cities. His work would require the Tower to be shut down for 4 to 6 weeks for the major restoration work.

B. Tom Berendes, representing Water Tower Clean & Coat, Inc. presented a much more scaled down plan or "bare bones" plan which would cost \$19,400 to take care of immediate maintenance problems with the Tower, but only carries a 1 year warranty. His work will not require the Tower to be out of service.

Rick has asked both men to make estimated costs at the other end of the spectrum from where they did so comparisons can be made. These plans will be studied by the Committee and discussed further at the next meeting.

6. Minimum Road Design Standards: Keith presented his updated design standards. Review by Committee was favorable. Keith suggested we add lines to Section 3 and Section 4 wherein the Village would incorporate the use of related portions of the WisDOT's Facilities Development Manual (FDM). This would eliminate the need for detail in our Ordinance. Most or all consultants design village and town roads now in accordance with WisDOT's specifications anyway, so this would simplify our Ordinance and bring it in line with current practice. Keith will make the changes and final review will be made at the next meeting.
7. East Adam Drive – Placement of No Parking Signs: Discussion centered on the need to control parking on East Adam Drive between Packerland Drive and Short Drive because of the newly opened Gas Station/Casino. Rick has placed temporary signs up because of the safety concerns brought on by the high demand for parking the new activity has created. **Motion was made by Berggren to recommend to the Village Board to have Public Works Dept. place permanent no parking signs on East Adam Drive, between Packerland Drive and Short Drive. Motion was seconded by Kazik, all voted in favor, none opposed, motion carried.**
8. Streetlights Touchstone Area and Brookwood Circle Area: Mr. Warren Fellingner, representing the Brookwood Circle area, requested how and at what cost it would be to have streetlights installed in his neighborhood. He said they would like 3 or 4 lights and that the poles to place them on were already there. He has a signed petition from almost 100 % of the residents that desire these lights. Mr. Jim Rath of Wisconsin Public Service was on hand to explain the procedure of obtaining lights from his end and agreed to meet Mr. Fellingner on site to give an accurate estimate. Jim said the cost of a simple 100 watt light placed on an existing pole with an existing transformer would be \$16.69/light/month. Mr. Fellingner will then obtain a signed request from the residents agreeable to sharing the costs and will bring that back to the Committee. Pahl recommended that he approach each resident of the Circle. We will revisit this next month.

The Touchstone Area was not represented; however, Mr. Rath stated he thought nothing had changed in that situation in regard to those who are opposed to street lights in that area.

9. Plateau Heights Turnaround: A design for a turnaround and the necessary easement was presented to the Committee. Rick will solicit bids from three or more sources regarding the work to build it and report back to the committee.
12. Public Works Director Report: Rick Kinney

The Village received a check for \$1700 from Bob Peters for the repairs to his driveway to facilitate better drainage.

Rick is continuing to place blacktop patches. He is also continuing to work on removing r/w obstructions. Work on the culverts on North Overland is also continuing. Rick anticipates the asphalt work on our roads to begin in July or August.

11. Future Agenda Items:

Next meeting: Maintenance of the Water Tower
Drainage Issues on Private Property
Shrovnal Drainage way
Minimum Road Design Standards
Street Lights Brookwood Circle Area
Plateau Heights Turnaround
Indian Trails Pond/low water
Public Works Directors Report
Ditching Washouts on Seminole Tr&N Pine Tree
Bob Peters Curb work/driveway, Navajo Tr.
Jim Dunk's Drainage Problem
Drainage on Traboh Court

12. **Motion by Baranczyk, second by Berggren to adjourn. All in favor none opposed.**
Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted by: John E. Berggren
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