

**PUBLIC WORKS/UTILITIES (PWUC) COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 6:00 p.m., Parkview Room**

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**1. Roll call.**

Meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm by Mr. Schindler

Present: Mr. Schindler, Mr. Koleski, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. Euell, Ms. Schneider and Mr. Zwirlein

Absent: Mr. Harley

Also Present: Mr. De Angelis, Mr. Harrigan, Ms. Hughes and Mr. Paul

**2. Review and act on minutes for May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Meeting.**

Mr. Shepherd moved to approve the minutes with the addition of adding the details of what Alternate A and B represented in the Gebhardt Rd Project discussion from the last meeting per Mr. Schindler's request. Ms. Schneider seconded to approve the May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 with additions. Motion carried 6-0.

**3: Review and discussion on Transportation Fund**

Mr. Paul requested the committee to discuss the prioritization and utilization of the Transportation Fund referencing the forecasted budgets for street rehabilitation/reconstruction, a map of streets denoting ratings and pending actions needed, and a memo describing the PASER rating system. Mr. Paul further requested the committee to provide direction to allow staff to firm up a minimum 5 year plan for the Transportation Fund. Mr. Paul further explained that this year is a rating year for the streets and that ratings are typically done at the end of the season when projects are wrapped up.

The committee acknowledged the needs for all items covered by the Transportation Fund including the streets, bridges and pathways. Ms. Hughes informed the committee that the current fund balance was made up of the annual funding of \$550K and the available funds left over from the borrowed monies for the Gebhardt project.

Upon discussion and understanding of the limitations of the referendum, the committee felt it would be best to focus on pathways and roadways as separately bid projects.

Due to the fact that a majority of the committee and representatives from the ad hoc Pathway Committee feel that the pathways are a priority for safety Mr. Schindler made a motion to move forward with constructing the Highland Dr Pathway from Gebhardt to North Ave in 2024 at an estimated \$550,000 and to utilize approximately \$840,000 for focusing on rebuilding the streets rated 4 and 4/5's with staff to put together a listing and recommendation. Ms. Schneider seconded and the motion carried 6-0.

**4: Update on Municipal Water**

Based upon the discussion at the previous Board Meeting, the Board requested that the committee review costs and options for private residences along the route to connect to the water main and make recommendations for further action.

Mr. De Angelis referred to the map showing what connection options could be available to residents and whether or not to allow for back yard connections. Once determined, the committee would determine a cost and how to go about collecting the funds for the connection.

After discussion and consideration of best engineering practices, funding options and payments, the committee decided to recommend the following:

Agreed with the Village Board of Trustees that backyard connections should not be allowed.

A motion was made by Mr. Shepherd to recommend to the Board of Trustees to allow corner lots to connect should water be available on this project. The motion was seconded by Mr. Zwirlein. Motion carried 6-0.

A second motion was made by Mr. Koleski recommending to the Board of Trustees to allow the Village to facilitate the service connections for residents whom choose to do so and charge the resident an average cost based upon the total number of households that choose to opt in to the project. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shepherd and the motion carried 6-0.

Further discussion occurred relative to timing of payment, whether to allow a payment plan, etc. It was determined that those residents who chose to move forward would have to commit by end of August with 45 days to pay or it would be forwarded on to their tax bill.

**5. Update on PP I/I Project**

The grouting work from the project had to be removed from the project, as MMSD thinks including it in the project will discourage prime contractors from bidding the project. There were 7 properties with proposed grouting, but there are still 17 properties left to do pipe bursting and spot relays. The grouting work will need to be done as a separate project and the work would be under the \$25,000 cap for public bidding, so the Village does not need to bid the work but only get proposals for the work.

**6: Update on Gebhardt Rd reconstruction, realignment and pathway**

Mr. Paul informed the committee that the project has been moving along relatively well with a few required visits to residents who requested clarifications or other questions. To date, the street has been pulverized, the undercutting and widening has been installed and they have the pathway base, culverts and ditches in place from Pilgrim Pkwy to Berkshire. The gas main replacement has been working its way east as well and CW Purpero has been progressing relatively close behind.

**7: Update on Public Works Projects**

Mr. Paul informed the committee that the majority of the work focus has been on the Gebhardt Rd reconstruction and pathway, but the DPW was focused on stormwater work currently.

**8: Other Business**

None

**9: Adjourn**

Mr. Shepherd motioned and Mr. Zwirlein seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 pm Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully. Submitted  
Richard Paul, Jr.  
Public Works Director