

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

December 6, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Ireland called the Public Works Committee Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. at the Village Hall.

ROLL CALL

Present at roll call were Trustees Ireland, Blohm, Colletti and Schiestel. Also present at roll call were Superintendent of Public Works Huizinga, Michael Plant from Baxter Woodman, Village Administrator Karl Warwick, and Secretary Hammer.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 6, 2012 MINUTES

Trustee Ireland made a motion to approve the November 1, 2012 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Trustee Colletti and approved by a roll call vote of four yes votes.

VISITOR/RESIDENTS COMMENTS

None

PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works Report

~ Item #62 getting past anger: staff – Trustee Schiestel asked for a status. Superintendent Huizinga provided an update.

~ Item #11 platform light fixtures – Trustee Blohm inquired on a status. Supt. Huizinga stated that money was budgeted to lay the footings for the light fixtures and the Park Commission will decide on where the light fixtures can be used.

~ Trustee Ireland asked that the Public Works Department provide an estimate of how many Ash Borer trees will need to be addressed between now and budget cycle time.

~ Trustee Blohm complimented the Public Works Department on the Village Christmas decorations despite the cutbacks.

Capital Purchase – Gantry Crane - \$3,781

Supt. Huizinga explained that the Gantry crane is used for lifting motors and pumps and recommended that the crane be purchased from USA Bluebook for a cost of \$3,781. This purchase will increase safety for pulling and repairing various water/sewer pumps. *Trustee Blohm made a motion to move to Finance the approval of \$3,781 to purchase a Gantry crane from USA Bluebook.* The motion was seconded by Trustee Colletti and approved by a roll call vote of four yes votes.

Trustee Blohm asked Supt. Huizinga if he had an update on the Parks meeting.

~ Supt. Huizinga stated that School District 3 talked about expanding their cross-country path. This topic will go before the Village Board.

~ March 9 has been scheduled for the St. Patrick's Day fundraiser at Brunch Café.

~The capitol project list was reviewed and the top 2 priorities were identified.

VILLAGE ENGINEER'S REPORT

DECO County Line Road, Status

Michael Plant from Baxter & Woodman provided an estimate on the following 3 public improvements: water/sewer extension (\$120,000), install 6' wide shoulder (\$100,000) and widen intersection returns at Route 22 and County Line Road(\$92,000) for a total of \$312,000. Permits and additional costs bring the final project cost to \$356,960. Grant money will cover \$200,000 of the cost leaving the Village to come up with \$156,960. Timeline includes revising and redistributing the document updates to IDOT, McHenry County and Lake County, getting bids back by the end of January, having the Village Board approve in February and approximately 6 weeks later beginning the project (mid-April). ***Trustee Ireland made a motion to pass to Finance the approval of the permitting process and the costs associated with the permits.*** The motion was seconded by Trustee Schiestel and approved by a roll call vote of four yes votes.

Trustee Blohm inquired on Baxter & Woodman's opinion on what cuts could be made to get closer to the \$200,000 cost. Discussion ensued that if any of the improvements were to be combined with the Road Project, that the improvements would have to wait until the Road Program is planned for 2013.

~ Michael Plant stated that the CMAQ (Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality) call begins on Monday and that the application process and completeness review are due January 26th. A workshop is being offered on January 18th if Administrator Warwick is interested in attending. One possible project is for funds to extend the sidewalk at the end of the new train platform. Adm. Warwick will follow up with Baxter & Woodman regarding sidewalk projects. This will be discussed at the Village Board meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

Special Event Parking

~ The Committee reviewed the options provided in Adm. Warwick's memo dated December 4, 2012.

~ Trustee Colletti suggested waiting a while longer before making any changes since the new parking regulations were recently implemented.

~ Trustee Blohm talked with a Rec Council board member who stated that the Rec Council leases the soccer fields. School District 3 also uses the same soccer fields so limiting the Rec Council activities on the soccer fields won't eliminate the issue of the new parking regulations on South River, Gladys and Millard.

~ Trustee Ireland suggested meeting with the Rec Council or having the Rec Council board attend a PW meeting to review their plans for sporting events in 2013.

Parking Pads

When the Ordinance restricting overnight parking was enacted and was subsequently repealed, the provision regarding parking pads was also repealed. ***Trustee Ireland made a motion to the Board to reenact into law the ordinance amending sections 13-96(a), 17 ½ -50 (B) and 17 ½ -63 of the Code of Ordinances of the Village of Fox River Grove.*** The motion was seconded by Trustee Schiestel and approved by a roll call vote of four yes votes.

Overnight Parking Compliance Agreement

In reviewing residential properties/streets for compliance with the new winter overnight parking regulations, one property on Lincoln Avenue was found not to have an alternative to parking on the street. The Village has worked with the property owner to gain compliance. They have agreed to build a driveway in the spring. Until then, the Village proposed to have them sign a compliance agreement to allow overnight parking on Adams provided they construct a driveway prior to the regulations going into effect next year. ***Trustee Ireland made a motion to the Board to allow the compliance agreement for 200B Lincoln on the premise they comply with all of their building codes.***

The motion was seconded by Trustee Schiestel and approved by a roll call vote of four yes votes.

The Water Meter Replacement project is 49% complete with 749 water meters replaced.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Ireland made a motion to adjourn at 8:04 p.m. Trustee Schiestel seconded and the motion was approved by a roll call vote of four yes votes.

Michael Ireland, Chairperson

Denise Hammer, Secretary

Date Approved