

**STREETS AND SANITATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

*June 8, 2009
6:35 p.m.*

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ray Geigel
Jason Sladky
Nick Levendusky
(arrived 6:35 p.m.)

STAFF PRESENT

Valerie Mellon
Sonja Birr
Randy Junk

OTHERS

Chuck Pech, 5020 Brookfield
John Check, 7123 Calumet Ave
Jaren Hiller, AECOM
Ruth Heili, 502 Waldo Blvd

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jim Brey
Dave Soeldner

Approval of the Minutes from 05/11/09

N. Levendusky made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 11, 2009 meeting. R. Geigel seconded the Motion.

Motion carried unanimously. No further discussion.

5020 Brookfield Circle

V. Mellon explained that this was discussed with the Committee at the last meeting. Engineering took a closer look and re-surveyed the area. After further evaluation, the decision was to drain the water to Brookfield Circle and extend the lateral to the low area located near the shed in the backyard. The County has agreed to pay ½ of the incurred costs.

N. Levendusky asked if Brookfield Circle can handle the additional water. V. Mellon said it could.

R. Geigel made a motion to move forward with the project. J. Sladky seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Any easements/legal documents required will be drafted by the City Attorney's office.

No further discussion.

North 5th Street - Waldo to Oak Street Sidewalk Issues

V. Mellon explained that North 5th Street was rebuilt last year. A few concrete sidewalk panels were replaced. Due to the backpitch in the sidewalk, the water settles causing panels to lift and create an

unsafe sidewalk. V. Mellon said an asphalt patch will be placed to temporarily fix the gap. All work passed through inspections last year. Vinton followed current city policy and only replaced cracked/heaved slabs at grades that matched adjacent panels.

J. Sladky questioned why there aren't any problems with the old sidewalk slabs. V. Mellon seemed to believe the trapped water in combination with the clay type soil in this area is creating the problem once the area is properly draining it should solve the problem. N. Levendusky wanted to know who would be responsible if it happened again. V. Mellon said the property owner would be responsible for any reoccurrences.

Ruth Heili, property owner, was present and she informed the Committee that her approach as well as the sidewalk slabs were lifting. She has paid a huge assessment for the street reconstruction and does not feel she should be left with this mess.

R. Geigel made a motion to replace (10) ten concrete sidewalk slabs at no additional cost to the home owner. J. Sladky seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

John Check - Sanitary Lateral Issue on Calumet Avenue

John Check was present and expressed that he was unsatisfied and didn't think it was fair he be assessed more to connect to the city utilities because the State would not allow us to construct it down the center of the state highway and the opposite side of the roadway was generally selected due to grade and other issues. He had already complained to the Streets Committee back in 2007 and the Committee at that time rejected his request since it would be opening a can-of-worms due to the presence of numerous other property owners (including Silver Lake College who is presently also in the process of constructing and paying for a long lateral). Also, there are other locations in the City where the sanitary sewer could not be constructed down the center, so he is not completely alone. The Committee informed him that while they are sympathetic to his plight, this situation could be compared to numerous other properties that are more expensive to develop due to steep grades, rough terrain, rock outcrops, etc.

R. Geigel made a motion to deny John Check's request for a lower assessment. J. Sladky seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously, no further discussion.

Special Event Requests

V. Mellon explained that we are looking for ways to cut the budget. The Special Event Requests fees are typically waived for City events except for the labor costs.

The Committee discussed the upcoming event for River Rendezvous. The Committee believes we should start charging for all costs associated with the Special Event Request.

R. Geigel made a motion that Mainly Manitowoc to pay ½ the costs in a city event. No second to the motion

N. Levendusky made a motion to charge the full amount for all City Special Events and allow on individual basis each Organization to pay ½ costs on an individual basis. R. Geigel seconded the Motion.

Motion denied (2-Nayes).

R. Geigel made a motion to table until the next meeting. J. Sladky seconded the motion.

Motion was denied.

R. Geigel rescinded the previous motion. J. Sladky rescinded his second.

R. Geigel made a motion for Mainly Manitowoc to pay ½ of all incurred costs of barricades, labor and rental fees for River Rendezvous. N. Levendusky seconded the motion

All in favor, no further discussion.

Parking Ban/Signage for Street Sweeping

V. Mellon explained that at the last meeting the Committee requested Val to bring in an estimate of the costs for making and installing the signs. There are 216 signs at a projected cost of \$16,500 that will be installed by the end of the year.

Letters informing the public of the parking ban for street sweeping will be inserted in all the utility bills in August. There will be warnings issued in the months August-September. We will start ticketing in April 2010, according to V. Mellon.

The Committee recommends bringing in a sign once completed to show them.

N. 11th & Waldo/Wilson Bowl Drainage Study

V. Mellon previously met with the School Board to request using the Wilson Bowl property for an underground detention facility under the Wilson Bowl. They have several concerns that will need to be addressed, but they are generally in favor of the project.

AECOM was present to discuss (4) four possible design options. The Committee discussed different design alternatives to possibly lower the costs. R. Geigel explained the main concern is the flooding problems that are occurring in the N. 11th, N. 12th and Waldo Blvd area. We need to properly drain this area.

V. Mellon would like to pursue the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Funding application process which begins in June. She would like for Bay Lake Regional Plan Commission to help apply for the funding. Services would be paid for under the FEMA grant. V. Mellon would like to meet with School Board once again to present with AECOM.

The Committee recommends moving forward.

Illicit Discharge Detection & Elimination Scope of Services

V. Mellon informed the Committee that the DNR approved the IDDE plan and things will move forward with the program.

40th & Archer Lift Station

V. Mellon informed the Committee on the status of the Lift Station and a letter received from Vinton Construction.

The lift station is now functioning. Three pumps have been replaced and working well. The floor was replaced in the basement to allow proper drainage. The weep holes have been fixed all at the cost of the contractor.

One major problem that still exists is that the generator slab is sinking. There is a large crack on the east wall and a trip hazard at the doorway that has been ground down but is still recurring. Vinton requested another meeting to be held on June 16th, with Lunda, Robert E. Lee, City Engineer and City Attorney.

Summer Brush Pick Up Notice

R. Geigel made a motion to approve the dates listed for the summer brush pick up. J. Sladky seconded the motion.

Motion carried no further discussion.

Traffic Issues on Park Row Blvd

Tabled until next meeting

Closed Session - Director of Public Works PERC Review

Tabled until next meeting

N. Levendusky made a motion to adjourn meeting at 8:18 p.m. J. Sladky seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.



Valerie Mellon, P.E.
Director of Public Works
and City Engineer