

**STREETS AND SANITATION COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES**

August 9, 2010  
6:30 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dave Soeldner  
Jason Sladky  
Allan Schema  
Jim Brey  
Nic Levendusky

**STAFF PRESENT**

Valerie Mellon  
Greg Minikel  
Sonja Birr  
Derek Muench  
Bridgett Brennan

**OTHERS**

Richard Hall  
Vic Naidl  
Elaine Naidl  
David Naidl  
Michael Check

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

None

**Approval of the Minutes from 7/26/10**

J. Brey made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 26, 2010 meeting. N. Levendusky seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously, no further discussion.

**Request from Maritime Metro for Temporary Parking Restrictions on S. 9<sup>th</sup> Street from Madison to Columbus Street**

V. Mellon explained that this area has parking on both sides and is too narrow for the buses that need to use S. 9<sup>th</sup> Street in their daily route until 10<sup>th</sup> Street is re-opened in late October.

D. Muench is concerned because of the 3 minor accidents that occurred and the negative image it portrays on the City Transit System.

Mr. Richard Hall, one of the residents of this block, was present and recommended "No Parking" on one side of the street. This will allow the bus plenty of room.

Mr. Vic Naidl, also one of the residents of this block, was also present and agreed with parking on one side of street as well, only he recommended it be instituted as a permanent situation.

G. Minikel explained this will be only temporary during the construction of S. 10<sup>th</sup> Street. Greg also pointed out that the proposed one hour parking is only during school hours. And also that any permanent parking changes will need to go through the Safety, Traffic and Parking Committee.

D. Muench is not at all opposed to only parking on one-side of the street. Preferably the West side as this will be a continuation of the area to the south in front of Lincoln High School and allow the bus to come through with no problems.

V. Mellon explained the temporary signage requirements and suggested that DPW could make and install the signs prior to school starting. However, if the property owners would like to permanently limit parking to only one side of the street, the Safety, Traffic & Parking Committee will need to invite all the residents to a discussion at perhaps the September or October meeting.

Bridgett Brennan, suggested that perhaps just an extension of the limits of the 1 hour parking would be more acceptable to all the residents.

Mrs. Elaine Naidl would like to keep it one-sided parking instead of 1 hour. This would be simpler and would eliminate any confusion.

J. Sladky made a motion to make one-sided parking from Madison Street to Columbus Street during the construction period (no parking on west side of street). If property owners would like to continue this one-sided parking, it will need to be approved by the Safety, Traffic and Parking Committee. J. Brey seconded the motion.

N. Levendusky amended the motion to include no parking on west side of street from Madison to Green Street on a temporary basis until S. 10<sup>th</sup> Street is complete. J. Sladky rescinded his previous motion and seconded the amended motion.

G. Minikel pointed out to the Committee that the property owners on S. 9<sup>th</sup> St. from Columbus to Green St. were not invited to the meeting since the request from the Maritime Metro Transit System was only for the one block between Madison and Columbus St.

J. Brey said he will make a referral to the Safety, Traffic and Parking Committee and all residents will be invited to discuss instituting this parking restriction on a permanent basis.

Motion carried unanimously. No further discussion.

#### **Approval of Burial Rates for Section X at Evergreen Cemetery**

D. Muench informed the Committee that the Cemetery Commission approved an increase in cremation burials by \$100 in Section X of Evergreen Cemetery. He said there is an incentive to be buried in this section of the cemetery since the installation of the new Chapel and surrounding landscaping have dramatically improved the appearance of the area.

N. Levendusky asked when the last increase occurred. D. Muench figured about 3-4 years ago.

A. Schema made a motion to approve the new rate. N. Levendusky seconded the motion.

D. Muench explained that the price which includes additional services balance out with other cemeteries in the area. D. Muench is optimistic that this increase will not discourage people. Numerous people have already requested to be buried in this section of Evergreen Cemetery and were not deterred by the suggested price increase.

Motion carried (4-ayes; 1-nay (J. Brey)). No further discussion.

#### **Discussion and Possible Action on Stormwater Pond Maintenance Fees**

Michael Check said he met with other developers from the area regarding the Stormwater Pond Maintenance Fees. The developers that he met with were, Mark Balaban, Jeffrey Check, Brandon Bartow, Bob Popp and Paul Steinbrecher. They are working to compile information to present at the next meeting.

D. Soeldner requested a copy of the presentation be sent to the Committee members before the next meeting for review. Michael Check agreed to provide them with a copy the Friday before the next meeting.

#### **Discussion of Erosion Issues at Silver Creek Park**

V. Mellon explained we were torn on whether this is a Park's Committee issue or Streets Committee. However, because this deals with stormwater, the Engineering Department becomes involved since the erosion is ending up in the creek.

J. Brey questioned the erosion by the bridge and on the road. He is confused as to why it happened now and never was a problem in all the years he has visited the park.

N. Levendusky explained that engineering should look into this issue and propose a remedy for fixing the problem.

A. Schema said in Maribel they used large timbers (Water Bars) to diffuse and slow down the destruction of the water on steep slopes. This might be an alternative to look into.

The Committee recommended Engineering to come up with alternative solutions and cost estimates to correct the problem and bring back to the Committee.

## **Discussion of Lakeside Boulevard Bluff Erosion Issue - Submittal for Coastal Management Funding**

V. Mellon explained to the Committee that the trees are affecting the erosion issue on Lakeside Blvd. Property owners are putting saw cuts in the trees for the wind to take down. The Police Department is aware of this, but can't pinpoint who is doing it. When the roots die, the slope is exposed and is further eroded.

Many years ago AECOM performed a study of the erosion issue in this area. V. Mellon said for \$1500, AECOM could dust off the old study, modify it to reflect current conditions enhance it with new suggested BMP's over the past 20 years and submit the study to Coastal Management for possible funding. Funding may be possible for completion of a revised study and also for the construction to restore the slope, plant appropriate materials and build a retaining wall at base of slope to prevent further degradation when water levels rise.

J. Sladky questioned why the Engineering Department couldn't refresh the study in house. V. Mellon explained that we could do it on our own; however, AECOM has the advantage of submitting these grants as they have the experience with numerous other communities and possible political connections to receive funding.

The study was last done 20 years ago, before the large trees were present. D. Soeldner thought \$1500 was a small amount to actually update the study. He questioned how long the application is and V. Mellon explained that she doesn't have a copy and repeated that she is confident the Engineering staff could put this grant application together, however, AECOM really has the upper hand when it comes to receiving grants. Often it comes down to relationships with grant selection team members.

D. Soeldner asked if there is a deadline. V. Mellon said November 1<sup>st</sup>. D. Soeldner wants to know if this grant will cover Engineering as well as construction. V. Mellon said that she will compile information for the next meeting.

## **Discussion of Drainage Issues on Last Court**

J. Sladky was contacted by Mr. Tim Kaiser, property owner on Last Court. This was ditched out in 1996 by the developer and erosion has since slowly filled it back in. The outfall is almost ½ full and he is concerned with flooding issues. The City has cleaned out around the end wall per G. Minikel.

G. Minikel explained there is not enough elevation to get the depth on the sewer. V. Mellon explained this whole area is low. From an engineering standpoint, it isn't impacting the road or other properties. We could clean out the culvert, but if the whole down

stream area isn't cleaned out it defeats the purpose. She thought we could apply for a permit to re-ditch this area, but there are no guarantees the DNR would grant it and it seems to be a waste of money since we aren't actually experiencing upstream flooding.

D. Soeldner said the water didn't make it up to his property and just wanted to discuss the concerns and suggested Jason should contact the property owner and let him know there won't be anything done at this time.

**Discussion of South 10<sup>th</sup> Street Reconstruction and Detour Routes over Recently Slurry Sealed Streets**

N. Levendusky explained that he was contacted by a few constituents regarding the slurry sealed streets being too oily and understands that sand was put on to solve the problem. Now their complaint is heavy construction trucks driving over it and rutting it up. G. Minikel said he met with our inspector to discuss the trucks driving in this area. Vinton Construction has used S. 12<sup>th</sup> St. at times to deliver materials from their materials storage site by the 10<sup>th</sup> St. stormwater pond site to other blocks of the 10<sup>th</sup> St. reconstruction area. However, he questioned whether or not the construction vehicles have done any additional damage. We know that the garbage trucks were causing some of the damage due to their constant starting and stopping to pick up garbage at each house. However, the sand that was placed, additional cure time and some cooler nights have helped and it appears that the slurry seal material has stabilized.

The Committee was also notified that Engineering placed a door hanger on all the residences on S. 12<sup>th</sup> and S. 13<sup>th</sup> St. informing them of what we are doing and that the street will be patched as necessary next year.

V. Mellon said we have documented our warranty expectations and will follow up next spring with the contractor.

N. Levendusky said he wanted to bring forth the concern of the constituents. He will also let them know that the City Contractor will follow up in spring. N. Levendusky said he already informed them there won't be any additional charges.

*J. Sladky made the Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m.*

*N. Levendusky seconded the motion.*



Valerie Mellon, P.E.  
Director of Public Works

and City Engineer