Committee of the Whole Meeting Public Works Committee April 27, 2021 – 7:00 a.m. Village Board Room

Attendance

Committee Members:	
Timothy Nugent, Mayor	Х
Tim Boyce, Trustee	Х
Todd Crockett, Trustee	Х
Diane Dole, Trustee	Х
Joel Gesky, Trustee	Х
Samuel Martin, Trustee	Х
Wendell Phillips, Trustee	Х
Other Attendees:	
Chris LaRocque, Village Admin	Х
Jim Hanley, Super of PW	Х
Ryan Marion, Code Official	Х
Sarah Marion, Marketing Cord	
Sheila Martin, Treasurer	Х
Al Swinford, Chief of Police	Х
Geoff Aggen, Village Eng.	Х
Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk	Х
Patrick Wilder	Х

Meeting was opened by Trustee Boyce at 7:00 a.m.

There was a quorum.

MOTION: A motion by Mayor Nugent, seconded by Trustee Dole, to approve the minutes from March 23, 2021 meeting as presented. Voice vote – All ayes, No nays. Motion approved.

No public participation.

No action items.

Discussion Items:

- **Public Works New Location Update** Mr. Hanley stated that the plat of survey has been completed and the closing date is set for May 3, 2021. Mr. Hanley stated that one neighbor of the new location has expressed some concerns about having a public works facility near his property. The next step will be the approval of the design with Carlile and site layout with Robinson Engineering.
- Wilder TIF Façade 156 N. Locust St Mr. Patrick Wilder was present to request monies for the TIF Façade. The total cost of the façade if \$11,600. The village will reimburse 50% of the cost. Mr. Wilder will also be expanding the business by adding an addition. The lap siding will match what is currently on the building, but village needs to

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approve the use of it. Mr. Wilder hopes to break ground this next month. The approval for the TIF Façade request will be on the board agenda for Monday, May 3, 2021.

- **Transient Merchant Permit** Mr. LaRocque explained that fees for the Itinerant Merchant permits were changes last year, but the issue with food trucks was not addressed. Mr. LaRocque and the village attorney prepared a change to the ordinance that is similar to the County Health Department to allow a per day or weekly fee for food trucks only. The change will be on the board agenda for Monday, May 3, 2021.
- School Access Road (Maple to Park Street) The School District will be rebuilding the road. Any resident who may be using this road to set out their garbage or branches for the chipper route will not be allowed. The village will be informing all homeowners who back up to the road to put their garbage on Park Street. The garbage company has also been informed not to use the road effective immediately.
- Alley Improvement West side of Poplar Street Mr. Marion received a request by two homeowners that have property on Poplar Street to have the alley extended south. This would allow the property owners to have access on the rear of their property. Cost would be approximately \$8,000. It is recommended that a document be prepared for 213 S. Poplar that states the owner is aware of how snow removal would be completed. The document would be placed in the address file.
- **Downtown Sidewalk Replacement Project** Mr. Hanley stated the project will be starting today by saw cutting the areas and then demoing on Wednesday and pouring on Thursday. No decorative sidewalk is being affected.
- Legacy Park Concession Stand & Parking Lot Mr. Hanley is still waiting on design of building from Clarey. The concrete bids specifications are almost ready. Mr. Hanley is still working on the electrical, HVAC and plumbing bid specifications. Mr. Aggen stated that the parking lot will be advertised for bid in May, awarding in June with construction to start in July. The current lot will be resurfaced. Mr. Aggen will work with contractor to keep at least half of the current lot open to allow for parking and use of the park by the public.
- West Division Street lights & flower basket project Mr. Hanley stated that two holes have been drilled and will be setting two poles today. The flower baskets are on backorder and will not be available until June. It was suggested that Mr. Hanley contact the City of Momence and their use of baskets.
- Section Line Light Project update Mr. Aggen stated that bid opening is Thursday, April 29th. Completion date is July 1st. The lights, poles and bases are in stock. Mr. Hanley has also ordered extra brackets and banners for use on the new poles.

Mayor Nugent asked if lights could be added to any poles in Heritage Park. Mr. Hanley will need to check the poles. Mr. Hanley stated that the Heritage Park parking lot light replacement project has been started. The poles are ready to be installed. The concrete has been poured and are waiting for it to cure.

MFT update – Mr. Aggen has the signed contract documents. They will be submitted to IDOT. The project can not be started until after June 2nd and must be completed by August 13th, as long as the lighting project and separate Aqua project are not delayed. Then the completion date may be extended. Mr. Aggen meets with Aqua officials every month and currently all projects are on schedule.

• Parks Planning & Update -

- Thies Park the fence has been removed and half of trees have been removed. KVCC has started the project. The new fence has been ordered
- Heritage Park the new Cal Meyer field lights have been completed. The parking lot light project has been started. The path and parking lot will be seal coated.
- Square on Second new floodlights are installed; there have been issues with damage to the fireplace again, police have been able to find the culprits this time. It was questioned whether stronger penalties are needed. The weather will be checked about when to open the jumping pillow.

• Equipment Update – FY 21-22

- Purchase two (2) trailers.
- Purchase two (2) Ford Rangers; would like to have smaller trucks for ease of getting in and out of trucks and removing items from the bed of the trucks. The trucks would be kept for 10 years. One of the trucks that will be replaced is a 2008. Trustee Boyce will check on the state bid and which type of truck will have the best value (F150 vs Ranger).
- Purchase two (2) Dump Trucks will replace a 2002 and a 2004 truck.
- South Path Project Status Update Mr. Aggen stated the bid opening will be on Thursday, April 29th. The NPDES permit has been submitted. Easement documents have been given to the village. Working with HomeStar concerning title work on Curwick property south of the park. The total length of the path is approximately 1.75 miles. Start date is hopefully in June. There will be a conversation with the contractor and village on whether the path will be constructed in segments or all at the same time. Submittals have been given to the utility companies. The completion date is set for 10/1/21.

• Misc.

- A crosswalk is being requested by the School District on Poplar Street across from the Middle School front doors. This would be a mid-road crosswalk. Mr. Hanley will talk to the school to get details.
- The department is finally back to full staff after COVID and vacation
- Five (5) summer help will start in June
- Speed bumps will be put out soon
- Scenic Landscaping has started work in the various parks. There will be some above & beyond maintenance that will be billed extra. They will look at Merchant Park also.
- Some of the plants that are in the area where turf is going at the Square will be transplanted to the southside of Village Hall.

- All merchants who participated in the outdoor seating are wanting to participate again. Mr. Hanley may need more tables and chairs. Trustee Gesky asked if permanent curb should be placed instead and change parking on Main Street. Mr. Hanley will look at the idea.
- Mr. LaRocque stated that Berkots is still interested in the TIF Façade program.

Motion by Trustee Boyce, seconded by Mayor Nugent to adjourn meeting at 8:06 a.m. Voice vote: all ayes, no nays.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk