

**Committee of the Whole Meeting**  
**Public Works Committee**  
**May 24, 2022 – 7:00 a.m.**  
**Village Board Room**

**Attendance**

<b>Committee Members:</b>	
Timothy Nugent, Mayor	
Tim Boyce, Trustee	X
Todd Crockett, Trustee	
Diane Dole, Trustee (7:03 am)	X
Joel Gesky, Trustee	
Samuel Martin, Trustee	X
Wendell Phillips, Trustee	X
<b>Other Attendees:</b>	
Chris LaRocque, Village Admin	X
Jim Hanley, Super of PW	X
Ryan Marion, Code Official	X
Sarah Marion, Marketing Cord	
Sheila Martin, Treasurer	X
Al Swinford, Chief of Police	
Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk	X
Bruce Hill, Novotny Engineering	X

Meeting was opened by Trustee Boyce at 7:01 a.m.

There was not a quorum when the meeting was called to order, but Trustee Dole entered the meeting at 7:03 am. Once there was a quorum the meeting minutes from April 26, 2022 were presented for approval.

MOTION: A motion by Trustee Dole, seconded by Trustee Martin, to approve the minutes from April 26, 2022 meeting as presented. Voice vote – All ayes, No nays. Motion approved.

No public participation.

No action items.

**Discussion Items:**

- **Police Department Design Bids** – Mr. LaRocque had requested proposals from Carlile Architects and Harbour Construction for a proposal to design the remodel of the new police facility. Only Carlile presented a proposal for \$132,000. The acceptance of the proposal will be presented at the next board meeting in June. The budget for the project will be \$1.5 million.
- **Rock Creek Pond** – Mr. Hanley stated that the area was seeded last year and was mowed last year. The department will try to mow this year too. Mr. Hanley was contacted by a local college student who would like to work on the area as a volunteer.

- **Entryway Signs and Archways** – Mr. Hanley stated that the location of the archways have been flagged. Lambert Signs will be providing the letter “M” for a sample. IDOT is not requiring a permit for the construction of the entryway signs on RT. 50. Knotts Masonry gave a proposal of \$32,000 for the stonework on the entryway signs.
- **Heritage Baseball Garage/Shed Update** – The shed is complete except the gutters. The press box still is being sided and then gutters will be installed.
- **Electric Box and Railroad Building Wraps Update** – The railroad buildings will be painted green and then Public Works employee, Andrew Regas, will paint on the design. There have not been any specific designs given for the wrap of the electrical boxes.
- **South Creek Drive Path Update** – Mr. Hill gained approval from Kankakee County for the South Creek Drive path. AT&T will be looking at their box. Mr. Hill will look at lighting and then the project will be ready to go out for bid.
- **Main Street Project Update** – Mr. LaRocque stated that there have been a few complaints about the change in parking. Mr. Hanley stated that the updates have eliminated most of the ramps or steps into businesses which helps with accessibility. There are only six lost parking spots. The Post Office may put a drive-up box in the alley. The project is moving along.
- **MFT** – Mr. Hill stated that the MFT project will be out for bid soon after the South Creek Path project.
- **Legacy Park Concession Stand Update** – Mr. Hanley stated that the company who is constructing the building is on day 55. Mr. Hanley had spoken to Cleary Builders, who designed the building, about how many days they had projected. They stated they would have had a 5-man crew for approximately 25 working days. Mr. Hanley has pushed the company to move faster. Mr. Hanley stated that there is a lack of confidence on their work. This same company also gave a bid for the interior build out, façade, etc. The board did approve the proposal, but no contract has been signed for this phase of the project. Mr. LaRocque and Mr. Hanley are suggesting that village personnel be allowed to finish the project. Mr. LaRocque will check with the village attorney about not using them for the next phase.
- **Parks Update:**
  - Mr. Hanley will be taking down 3 sides of the screening around the pickle ball courts. It will be moved to the tennis courts at Legacy Park. Mr. Hanley will try to find another type of screening.
  - Mr. LaRocque found a grant program through Blue Cross Blue Shield. They are offering \$50,000 grants to put in an outdoor gym. The total cost of \$142,350. The village would be responsible for the concrete slab and installation. Mr. LaRocque will contact Manteno Township on whether they would help with the cost if it were put into Legacy Park. Mr. Hill stated that Lemont is doing this project in their downtown area. His firm helped with the project. Mr. LaRocque will prepare the application.

- Trustee Martin did state that the Parks & Recreation Commission is down to only 4 members. The commission should have 7 members.
- **Equipment Update –**
  - 2022 John Deere 12-foot mower - \$13,494.56. This is a Sourcewell bid. Mr. Hanley would like approval to purchase. This is a budgeted item.
  - Replacing the Backhoe – proposal to purchase a CAT 420-07 XE Backhoe for \$144,942.00 This is \$4000 cheaper than the Sourcewell price. The item will be placed on the next board agenda for approval. The current backhoe would be put up for auction.
  - The two F750's are supposed to be coming next month and then will go to the outfitter for equipment installation.
  - Have received on Ford Ranger, the other Ranger will be here in about 3 weeks.
  - Would like to replace a flat-bed truck for a “switch and go” system from Ford. This allows for a dump body and a flat-bed body on the same truck. Taylor Ford will work on pricing.

Motion by Trustee Boyce, seconded by Trustee Dole to adjourn meeting at 7:43 a.m. Voice vote: all ayes, no nays.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk*