

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, January 26, 2016
7:00 a.m.
Village Conference Room

Attendance

Committee Members:	
Timothy Nugent, Mayor	x
Tim Boyce, Trustee	x
Samuel Martin, Trustee (7:15 a.m.)	x
Other attendees:	
Diane Dole, Trustee	x
Todd Crockett, Trustee	x
Joel Gesky, Trustee	x
Bernie Thompson, Village Admin.	x
Chris LaRocque, Dir. Of Bldg/Zoning	x
Mike Stone, Tyson Eng.	x
Jim Hanley, Street/Alley Super.	x
Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk	x

Trustee Boyce called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m. There was no public participation.

MOTION: A motion by Mayor Nugent, seconded by Trustee Boyce to approve the minutes of the December 22, 2015 Public Works Committee meeting. Voice vote - Ayes: Nugent & Boyce; Nays: None. Martin - absent.

Discussion Items:

• **Pear Tree Fire Blight** (*Hanley*)

Mr. Hanley reported that the village has 500 pear trees in the parkways; with most being in the Main Street and Oak Street area. The village did have a treatment applied to the pear trees last year. The blight is a weather related disease and is worse if the spring is cold and wet. Mr. Hanley stated that Trustee Martin had suggested that the village look at diversifying types of trees, so that if a disease does attack a certain variety of tree the village would not have to lose or destroy a large amount of trees.

Trustee Martin entered the meeting at 7:15 a.m.

The village did have 2 trees hit on Main Street by a vehicle driving recklessly. The 2 trees will be replaced with the same variety to maintain continuity on Main Street.

A proposal for treatment of the pear trees was submitted by Save a Tree. The proposal is a four step process at a cost of around \$32,000. Treatment does not guarantee that trees will be saved. Due to the cost, the Village will hold off on the completed process of treatment. Village personnel can do a part of the treatment for the cost of the chemical. Village personnel and Trustee Martin will work on a tree planting plan that will involve a variety of trees.

- **2016 Projects** (*Hanley*)

- Landscaping at Skate Rink: An idea would be to mimic the look at the intersection of Oak and Third Street. Any plans must be also approved by the Township.
- The Village would like to widen the paths at Legacy Park especially near the port-a-potties to allow the company to service the port-a-potties in the park. The idea will be looked at in the next fiscal year.
- The swale near Maple Street needs to be re-graded for maximum usage. Village Engineer, Mike Stone and Mr. Hanley will work on preparing a plan and cost estimate.
- Discussed about trying to connect walking paths that are located through the village together. Mr. Hanley and Mr. Stone will look at the areas and see if swale areas, easements or right of ways can be used.
- A clay tile in the swale area near Wrights Park area may need to be replaced. There are sink holes developing. Mr. Stone and Mr. Hanley will review and study the area.
- Mr. Hanley provided some pictures of piping at the WPCC. The pipes are in a structure that is 25-30' below ground and they have been rusting. Personnel will research products that may be used to lengthen the use of the pipes instead of replacing.

Trustee Crockett exited the meeting at 7:56 a.m.

Mr. Thompson presented a proposal from Hitchcock Design Group for the next phase of the Second Street area. The proposal will be placed on the next village board meeting agenda.

Trustee Dole exited the meeting at 7:58 a.m.

Mr. Thompson will clarify with Hitchcock Design Group that Tyson Engineering's costs are provided in the proposal.

- **Misc.** (*Hanley*)

- The signage for the Truck Route has been ordered for the area west of Locust on Third St. and at Division and Section Line Rd.. Mr. Hanley and Lt. Whalen will work on a design for signage that will be east of Locust Street on Third Street.
- Mr. Hanley will verify the costs of a Manteno School flag and pole that could be displayed on Division Street when any school teams are in championship matches.
- The Committee would like to have Mr. Hanley investigate the costs of adding another banner to the rotation to help extend the life of the two banners that village currently has.
- Mr. Hanley stated that there are 111 stop sign posts that could be changed out to match the new street name posts. The project could be completed in house as time permits. Mr. LaRocque will review the subdivision ordinance for language changes to require the use of the new poles.
- Village has plenty of salt for the winter season.

Meeting adjourned at 8:41 a.m.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Darla Hurley, Deputy Village Clerk