

MINUTES
PUBLIC WORK'S COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, July 12, 2017
5:30 P.M., Allouez Village Hall

Present: Jim Genrich, Rick King, Curt Beyler, Craig Berndt, Brad Lange

Excused: Jim Rafter

1. MODIFY/ADOPT AGENDA
King/Beyler moved to approve the agenda with changing approval of minutes from June 14, 2017 to June 20, 2017. All ayes
2. APPROVE MINUTES from the June 20, 2017 meeting.
Beyler/King moved to approve the minutes with changing St. Mary's to Arrowhead and St. Francis. All ayes

OLD BUSINESS:

3. DISCUSSION/ACTION: SAFE PEDESTRIAN USE OF VILLAGE STREETS (Village President Rafter).
No discussion was planned on this topic but since residents attended the meeting they were heard.

Residents Valarie Hutchison, 812 Derby Lane, and John Abbott, 1434 S. Jackson, spoke in favor of adding sidewalks on Derby Lane. The Robinson Neighborhood Association (180 homes) have been discussing the need for sidewalks on Derby and support the installation of them. Traffic has increased with the addition of Kwik Trip. There are individuals that walk this area and if we want to be a walkable community, then sidewalks need to be installed. Connecting neighborhoods is a good idea and you get a sense of a community when you drive into DePere as they have a lot of sidewalks. It was recommended to the residents to submit a letter or petition requesting the sidewalk including signatures of the residents.

4. DISCUSSION/ACTION: RIVERSIDE DRIVE PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS UPDATE (DPW Berndt).
Berndt gave an update on the south Riverside Drive project. WisDOT has approved the project, however, the project will not be approved for construction until the state budget is passed. Berndt also gave an update on the two easements needed. The easement on the west side is completed and working on completing the east side easement. When the state passes the 2018/20 budget approval of the project is likely 30-45 days thereafter. This probably puts project completion in October.

NEW BUSINESS:

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION: INITIAL DISCUSSION OF WEBSTER AVENUE COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (DPW Berndt).
A short discussion of the Webster Avenue Downtown Development Study was presented. The preliminary street cross-section and the plan view of the project was reviewed, along with the project cost that was included in the TIF district project. Further work will be done before presenting the preliminary information to the village board,
6. DISCUSSION/ACTION: PROVIDE NO PARKING AREA ON SOUTH SIDE OF ARROWHEAD DRIVE AT WEBSTER AVENUE (DPW Berndt).
Berndt provided a memo that outlines the request and need for “No Parking Hear to Corner” for the first 100 ft section from the corner. This has been done on other streets and provides a safer intersection.

Beyler/King moved to recommend to the Village Board approval of the “No Parking from Here to corner” of the first 100 ft of the south side of Arrowhead Drive and St. Francis Drive near Webster Avenue. All ayes

DISCUSSION:

7. DISCUSSION: GBMSD USE OF EXCESS FUND RESERVES (DPW Berndt).
Berndt provided a memo outlining a recent workshop by the Green Bay Metropolitan Sewerage District (GBMSD) regarding the use of excess reserve funds. GBMSD will be using reserves to pay for smaller capital projects vs. bonding for them. The reserve funds have accumulated over time to a large amount. The past several years the Public Works Directors and industrial customers have been requesting a reduction in the fund reserves and use of these funds for reducing the GBMSD rates. This change in reserve funds will be approved as part of the 2018 GBMSD budget process.

Jim Genrich – what is the response been by GBMSD? Berndt – the commissioners are in favor of this change.

8. DISCUSSION: STATUS OF 2017 CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS
Berndt; the village street and utility reconstruction project of 6 roads should be completed by the contract date of late October as the contractor has 2 crews working in the village. The milling and overlay of streets is starting the week of the 24th of July and completed by mid to late August. The initial work is the curb repair work. Staff is working on updating the CIP plan and will be bring it to the committee in the next few months.
9. ADJOURNMENT
King/Beyler moved to adjourn at 6:22pm. All ayes