

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE OF THE VILLAGE OF METTAWA, ILLINOIS, HELD AT THE HOUR OF 6:00 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2024 IN THE COTTONWOOD ROOM A

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Smolic called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

B. ROLL CALL

Upon a call of the roll, the following persons were:

Present: Chairman Smolic and Members Clark and Pelech

Absent: None

Chairman Smolic declared a quorum present.

Attendees: Village Clerk, Sandy Gallo; Village Administrator, Mandi Florip; Village Engineer, Scott Anderson; Trustees Towne and Armstrong

C. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH

The minutes of the regular meeting for March 13, 2024 were reviewed. It was moved by Member Clark and seconded by Chairman Smolic that the regular meeting minutes be approved and be placed on file. The motion was carried.

D. UPDATE ON THE VILLAGE'S RIGHT-OF-WAY TREE REMOVAL PROJECT

Village Engineer Scott Anderson stated Dunlap Tree Experts have completed the removal of the right-of-way trees. Their invoice has been submitted. The Village Clerk Gallo added the project was invoiced in the amount of \$9,650 and the approved project amount was \$15,850.

E. DISCUSS THE FOREST BUILDERS INC. PROPOSAL FOR BRADLEY ROAD CULVERT REPLACEMENT

Chairman Smolic indicated a proposal has been provided to replace the culvert by Maureen Lane as the culvert is crushed.

A motion was made to approve Forest Builders Inc. proposal for the culvert replacement on Bradley Road in the amount of \$4,900. The motion was made by Chairman Smolic and seconded by Member Clark. The motion was carried.

F. DISCUSS THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ITEMS FOR FY2024-2025 BUDGET

Village Administrator Florip indicated the only amount change for this month includes the culvert budget line item which was increased by \$15K. All other line items have not been modified.

G. ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT MAY APPEAR TO THE COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION, AND IF APPROVED, BE RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Chairman Smolic stated he along with Village Administrator Florip held a meeting with Hey & Associates Inc., representative Dave Kraft regarding the stormwater drainage project at MacLean Preserve at Oasis Park. Chairman Smolic indicated during their meeting Mr. Kraft stated municipalities would receive an announcement if they were granted funding later this spring. Mr. Kraft also added the funding would then be

made available in the fall. Chairman Smolic has asked Mr. Kraft to finalize the design plan to be ready to break ground when funding has been received. Mr. Kraft added he would begin the process in gathering the necessary permits for the project. Village Administrator Florip commented the current budget of \$400K, is for the portion the village is supplementing the project. If the village is not granted any funding for the drainage project, this capital project will be deferred to spring of 2025 as the full amount will be anticipated in the new fiscal year. Member Pelech asked how much will this project cost. Village Administrator Florip replied this project is currently being anticipated to cost \$1M. Village Administrator Florip clarified that the resident's driveway located at 707 Bradley Road has been compromised due to their culvert under the road not draining properly. Chairman Smolic added this resident culvert has been an issue for the last 10 years. This property owner has been told continuously that this culvert would be rectified when the MacLean Preserve at Oasis Park detention pond was constructed. This culvert should not be delayed any further as it continues to erode the surrounding land. The Village will be supporting this resident and replace the culvert now as it was identified as part of the larger drainage project. Chairman Smolic asked if the culvert replacement cost could be applied against the ARPA balance. Village Administrator Florip added the ARPA funding was previously approved by the Board for the design work cost for the larger drainage project. Village Engineer Scott Anderson commented the resident will need to grant the village easement approval to complete this work on their property. Village Engineer Scott Anderson indicated this culvert is not a straight forward replacement as the Oasis Service Driveway culvert does not line-up with the culvert located at 707 Bradley Road. If the property owners' culvert is installed to align the ditches would need to be regraded. A larger culvert will be installed. An additional \$15K was added to the fiscal budget to address this culvert replacement. Village Administrator Florip indicated the village needs to address all resident matters along this driveway. Chairman Smolic added if these residents had regraded their ditches, we might have been able to avoid doing the larger project for \$1M. Village Clerk Gallo stated resident Matt Witten asked how the large tree along this driveway with exposed roots will be impacted. Village Engineer Scott Anderson indicated he will not have an answer until the work commences.

Chairman Smolic indicated the Committee needs to approve the Village Engineers to complete the surveying and the engineering plans for the Old School ditch drainage project. Member Pelech asked if the current amount being approved was only for the designing plans. Village Engineer Scott Anderson confirmed, yes. Village Engineer Scott Anderson added the current ditch is very steep which is washing out the soil and creating erosion. The plan is to move the center of the ditch to a wider area to slow down the water. Member Pelech added this Committee needs to be sensitive to this project as the three members benefit from this drainage repair. Village Engineer Scott Anderson added this is the worst public ditch in the village with a large volume of erosion. Village Engineer Scott Anderson replied this project is an improvement that impacts the road and the property owners' driveways for all the residents along Old School Road who have a culvert under their road. The Public Works Committee is responsible for maintaining all village roads and structures that impact the residents. Hey & Associates Inc assessed the St. Marys Road pavement project after it was completed. They indicated the additional water flow along Old School Road has been an existing issue. Chairman Smolic added some of the residents' apron areas are deteriorating due to the culvert under their driveway not functioning appropriately.

A motion was made to direct the Village Engineers to complete the surveyance work and designing plans to support the Old School ditch drainage in the amount not to exceed \$15K. The motion was moved by Chairman Smolic and seconded by Member Clark. The motion was carried.

H. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Member Clark and seconded by Chairman Smolic to adjourn the meeting at 6:49pm. The motion was carried.

Sandy Gallo, Village Clerk