

**North Hudson Public Works Meeting  
Village Hall 400 7<sup>th</sup> Street North  
Tuesday, March 17, 2015 @ 6:00 p.m.**

**Call to Order: roll call**

Chairman Head called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Answering the call was Trustee Standafer. A quorum was present and the meeting was duly noticed. Also in attendance was Village Engineer, Kevin Oium and Public Works Supervisor, Mark Ekblad.

**Minutes approval from February 24, 2015 Public Works Meeting**

There were no corrections to the minutes from the February 24, 2015 Public Works meeting so the minutes stood approved as drafted.

**2015 Capital Projects – Lakeview Drive N. / Pine Street N. / Eastbank / Mallalieu Apartment Project**

a. Project Update

Oium stated that the soil borings have been completed. In the report from TSI, there was no hard rock material found. However, there was some ground water present. Sewer depths will be higher than initially anticipated for ground water elevations. Out of the five soil borings done in the street, there was three to four inches of asphalt and six to ten inches of base in the roadway sections. Oium stated this existing asphalt could be pulverized and repurposed for road covering in addition to some additional aggregate. This would be included in the bid for contractors. The plans are approximately 60% completed. The plans will be sent to the City of Hudson Water Utility Department in the near future for their approval of what is proposed. The bidding process will begin in April or May and the project will begin in mid-summer and will take approximately three to four months. The Eastbank portion will be completed first.

b. Preliminary Assessment Report

Oium reviewed the items that will be assessed to homeowners and the Village. The homeowner will decide if they wish to replace the sanitary lateral at their expense if the line is in poor condition. There will be an on-site inspector to determine the condition of these lines and will inform the homeowner at that time. Street reconstruct will be a 50/50 split by the homeowners and the village. Curb and gutter on Pine Street will be 100% assessed to the village. The cost estimate is about \$24,000 more in total based on plans so far, which is a marginal increase from the initial estimate. Special assessments will not apply to homeowners with double road frontage. Vacant lots that are already subdivided will be assessed and sewer and water will be installed at these lots. Individual lots were discussed as well. Credits will be issued for shallow lots, corner lots, and odd-shaped lots. A public hearing will be held March 31, 2015 and property owners will receive notices as well.

c. Watermain Easements

Based on the information presented at last month's meeting, Ekblad has tried contacting the owners of Mallalieu Apartments but has had no response. There is no cost impact to the building owners and apartment tenants. Head asked what steps would need to be taken if an easement is not granted by the building owners. The Village Attorney would need to review this issue.

d. Lakeview Drive N.-Drainage Concern

A handout was provided regarding possible drainage issue resolutions, which could be installation of a rain garden. Oium explained the route for drainage. Some trees would be affected in this proposed area.

Village residents in attendance felt installing a rain garden was not the solution and felt the original drainage plan was more ideal.

e. Lakeview Drive N.-Hammerhead Turnaround

A Village resident gave his input for an improved turnaround area. Discussion followed. The committee agreed to take look at options for this area.

**2015 Street Sweeping Contract, discussion and possible recommendation**

Ekblad reviewed the bid received from Mike McPhillips, Inc. to provide street sweeping services for the Village of North Hudson. McPhillips would use an Elgin Pelican sweeper at a rate of \$90.00. This is a \$3.00 increase from the \$87.00 rate in 2014. Per Mike Edge, Vice President, the increase was due to an increase in maintenance costs (street sweeper parts). Head asked what amount was in the 2014 budget, which was \$7,000. The 2015 budget is \$8,000.

**Motion (Standafer/Head) to recommend having Mike McPhillips, Inc. provide street sweeping services for the Village of North Hudson at a rate of \$90.00 per hour. Motion carried.**

**Purchase of Fire Hydrant/Watermain Flushing Equipment**

Ekblad stated that the Village receives \$98,000 from the City of Hudson to lease our water mains and hydrants. To meet water quality issues per the DNR, the Water Department is requesting hydrant flushing on a more consistent basis. This would need to occur at the same time the City does their flushing. Therefore, Ekblad is requesting to purchase equipment for the village to do their own flushing. Standafer asked for clarification whether this equipment was a necessity for both the village and the city to own their own equipment. Ekblad stated that the city uses their equipment often. The Village of North Hudson uses this equipment for a couple months in the summer. Ekblad stated if the village purchased the equipment, more flushing would be able to be completed.

**Motion (Standafer/Head) to recommend purchase of the Five Star Multi-Directional Hydrant Diffuser from Minnesota Pipe and Equipment at a cost not to exceed \$2,500.00. Motion carried.**

**Engineer's Report**

Oium gave an update on the Hwy 35 project. A response was received from the DOT. Oium has requested a meeting with the DOT and the village, which is scheduled for next week. He will report back information at a future meeting.

**Director's Report**

Ekblad had nothing at this time.

**Future Agenda Items**

Lakeview Drive N. /Pine Street N. / Eastbank/Mallalieu project, Lakeview Drive N.-Hammerhead Turnaround

**Adjournment**

Head adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Traci Miller  
Recording Secretary

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