

**North Hudson Public Works Meeting
Village Hall 400 7th Street North
Tuesday, October 18, 2016 @ 5:30 p.m.**

Call to Order: roll call

Chair Pike called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Answering the call were Trustees Head and Nelson. A quorum was present and the meeting was duly noticed. Also in attendance were Village Engineer, Kevin Oium, Ryan Jones, Cedar Corporation representative, Village Attorney Gary Bakke, Police Chief Mark Richert, and Recording Secretary Anne-Marie McDonald. Public Works Supervisor Mark Ekblad arrived at 5:31 p.m.

Minutes approval from September 21, 2016 Public Works Meeting

Motion (Head/Nelson) to approve the September 21, 2016 Public Works minutes. Motion carried.

709 Riverside Drive N Drainage Issue

Resident David Sweeney, of 709 Riverside Drive, N., summarized the flooding issues he has experienced the past year on his property. He supplied affidavits from neighbors and the former owner of his home saying they hadn't observed any flooding in Sweeney's yard prior to the drainage pit being constructed in 2015. Mr. Sweeney feels the current drainage pit is an inadequate solution for large rainfall events. Sweeney feels the road grade and street construction on Lakeview Drive North caused the current flooding issues. Oium described what modifications were made by the village last fall and this spring after Sweeney's original complaints to manage smaller rainfalls (1-2" of rain over 24 hours). Bakke summarized the engineering mitigations completed by the village and what legal or financial fix could be made. Bakke asked Sweeney what is an acceptable solution to fix the problem. Sweeney said that removing the water from the current location and diverting it to a drainage pond approximately 600 feet east of the current location is the only logical solution. Sweeney's attorney, Dennis Schertz, asked about current water volumes versus volumes experienced in the area prior to the roadwork completed by the village. Pike said that rainwater causes erosion over time, and that the village offered to install rip-rip on the bank in Sweeney's yard, and that Sweeney declined that solution. Bakke asked whether Sweeney wants to have the water diverted from his property to Lake Mallalieu. Oium stated that direct rain discharge to Lake Mallalieu will require a permit. Bakke requested any new information be brought forward by Sweeney, which can be discussed by the Public Works committee in closed session for future action, if any.

Installation of Streetlights in The Ridges Subdivision

Oium contacted St. Croix Electric Cooperative to have the broken light replaced, which has been completed. Pike asked Oium to send a copy of the original developer agreement to village administrator Gloria Troester for her records. Head asked whether residents in The Ridges have been notified about the upcoming street light installation. Ekblad will verify that residents are notified about the installation.

Winter Parking Ordinance

Pike wants to have a parking ordinance on the books, whether it is ever enacted. Head is concerned that some residents don't have off-street parking available during the overnight hours. Richert and his officers did an informal tally during several days in January, and found about 100 vehicles parked on-

street overnight. The officers didn't check to determine whether alternative parking was available for these residents. Richert talked about exemption for residents who don't have alternative parking available. The following questions were presented: 1) Who declares when two inches of snow has fallen? 2) Do other municipalities have sufficient law enforcement coverage to support ordinances? North Hudson Police Department doesn't have 24-hour officer coverage, and the county sheriff's deputies won't respond to towing calls. Since the ordinance wouldn't be enforced this winter, there is time for Ekblad and Richert to work together to refine the wording before being presented to the full board.

D.R. brush mower purchase

Pike mentioned that the original brush mower proposal was a skid loader attachment. Ekblad explained that he would use a standalone brush mower in parks, rights-of-way, and residential lawns, and using a brush mower on a skid loader will tear up the turf. **Motion (Head/Nelson) to recommend the purchase of a standalone D.R. brush mower from Gerlach Service, Inc., not to exceed \$3240.00. Motion passed on a roll call vote 3-0. Nelson=yes, Head=yes, Pike=yes.**

PACK RAT tool box purchase

This item has been postponed until next month.

Metrotech Locator purchase

Motion (Nelson/Head) to recommend purchase of Metrotech 9800 Locator from Ferguson Waterworks, price not to exceed \$4135.00. Motion passed on a roll call vote 3-0. Head=yes, Nelson=yes, Pike=yes.

2017 Budget

According to the Village Administrator, the 2017 budget looks good.

Engineer's Report

Nothing additional to report.

Director's Report

Nothing to report.

Future Agenda Items

Winter parking ordinance; Ferry Landing pavement & parking lot project; Pack Rat tool box purchase.

Adjournment

Pike adjourned the meeting at 6:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Anne-Marie McDonald
Recording Secretary

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