

**North Hudson Public Works Meeting  
Village Hall 400 7<sup>th</sup> Street North  
Tuesday, April 21, 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 were Trustees Standafer and Pike. A quorum was present and the meeting was duly noticed. Also in attendance was Village Engineer, Kevin Oium, Public Works Supervisor, Mark Ekblad, and Recording Secretary, Traci Miller.

**Minutes approval from March 17, 2015 Public Works Meeting**

There were no corrections to the minutes from the March 17, 2015 Public Works meeting so the minutes stood approved as drafted.

**St. Croix Storage-45 Degrees North, LLC – Discussion only**

Todd Gilbert and Steve McFarlan were present to represent their business partnership to purchase St. Croix Storage from the current owner, which is located in the shop yards area. Steve informed the committee the purchase agreement was signed today. He stated they have applied for an environmental assessment of the property. If there is any remediation required from this assessment, they will be working with the State regarding this. Gilbert and McFarlan stated they are excited about this business opportunity and look forward to doing business in the North Hudson community.

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

a. Project Update

Oium stated that the plans have been finalized and the project is out for bids. As of this morning, eight contractors have pulled bids, both from Minnesota and Wisconsin. Once the bids are received, there is 60 days to make a recommendation for a contractor to award the bid to hold the contractors price. The Eastbank project will be completed first. Oium stated he has tried to contact the Mallalieu Apartment building owners with no response.

b. Watermain Easements

Oium stated there was title search completed on the Eastbank area and the Village currently has no easements in this area. Oium stated he spoke with the Eastbank Condo Association president and they found no easements in their paperwork either. Oium reviewed a new easement is being developed which will combine new easements and any existing easements.

**Motion (Standafer/Pike) to recommend having Cedar Corp. locate the utilities and negotiate any easements with Eastbank Condo Association. Motion carried.**

c. Lakeview Drive N.-Hammerhead Turnaround

Oium provided a handout consisting of two options explaining the route of drainage. One option was a hammerhead turnaround and the other was a smaller scale cul-de-sac. Installing the cul-de-sac would make it a very tight space for service vehicles. Discussion followed. Two home owners were present and gave their input. After looking at the options, the hammerhead turnaround would be the best option for this area. The committee agreed that all options have been reviewed. Standafer suggested that Oium speak with the Village Attorney regarding possible liability issues regarding this area of road. The committee will report back the findings to the property owners.

d. Lemon Street N. Resurfacing

Ekblad stated the edges of Lemon Street N. are in serious disrepair. He stated it would be cost effective to replace this portion of Lemon Street at the same time the Eastbank project is being completed. He requested Oium present some numbers to the committee. Oium estimated this would cost \$22,000. This would be bid with the Eastbank project.

**Motion (Standafer/Pike) to recommend to the Finance Committee and the Village Board, that based on the cost of this section and the condition of Lemon Street, that this be included as an option in Lakeview Drive and Pine Street in the bid package. Motion carried.**

**Repair of Sanitary Sewer Catch Basin Repairs**

Ekblad stated the Public Works Department has identified five sanitary sewer manholes that need to be repaired this spring. The manhole castings are starting to collapse due to the deterioration of the bricks/concrete rings and mortar under the castings. Discussion followed.

**Motion (Pike/Standafer) to recommend having Zappa Bros. Inc. repair the five sanitary sewer manholes requested at a cost not to exceed \$17,000.00. Motion carried.**

**Storm Sewer Catch Basin Repairs**

Ekblad stated there are 62 storm sewer catch basins in the Village that are in need of major repair. Nine storm sewer catch basins are on streets that will be seal coated this summer. There are only funds available to repair two. These are near 201 Sommers Street N. and 615 Lemon Street N. and are in very poor condition. Discussion followed.

**Motion (Standafer/Pike) to recommend to the Finance Committee and Village Board to repair the nine storm sewer catch basins on streets to be seal coated this summer by utilizing \$9,000 from the storm sewer maintenance fund and the remainder to come from discretionary funds or a short-term loan at the discretion of the Village Board. Motion carried.**

**Engineer's Report**

Oium stated the Village Administrator, Ekblad and himself met with the DOT representative to get a status update on their Hwy 35 project and how the Village of North Hudson's utility project might be completed at the same time. The Village's request will be provided to their office and request a full reconstruct. Oium stated the DOT would be in contact with the Village in approximately a year to talk about cost sharing. Discussion followed. Oium also reported the DOT's STP application is due July 31. Oium is requesting the committee's approval to apply for these funds.

**Motion (Standafer/Head) to recommend having Cedar Corp apply for these funds. Motion carried.**

**Director's Report**

Ekblad stated that the newly hired employees have been working out well. He also reviewed some projects the Public Works Department has been able to complete.

**Future Agenda Items**

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

**Adjournment**

Head adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Traci Miller

Recording Secretary

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