

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING HELD AT THE GREENFIELD CITY HALL
ON TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2023

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by Bruce Bailey at 6:37 pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Alderperson Bruce Bailey, Alderperson Andrew Drzewiecki, Alderperson Pam Akers, Citizen Members: Denise Collins, John Graber (arrived 6:41pm)

Also present: Jeff Katz, Director, Neighborhood Services; John Laskoski, Superintendent of Public Works; Bryan Haas, City Engineer; Randy Esch, Working Foreman

3. Approval of the April 25, 2023 meeting minutes

Motion by Alderperson Andrew Drzewiecki, seconded by Alderperson Pamela Akers to approve the April 25, 2023 meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Citizen Commentary

None

5. Approve granting construction easements and statements of non-reimbursement to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation.

Mr. Katz explained that the Wisconsin Department of Transportation is planning to resurface Forest Home Ave in 2025 and it will require construction easements and statements of non-reimbursement in areas where the city has utility interests for sanitary sewer. The project includes spot replacement of sidewalk and curb ramps.

Motion by Alderperson Pamela Akers, seconded by Denise Collins to approve granting construction easements and statements of non-reimbursement to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Explanation of street rating process and development of the five year capital improvement plan.

Mr. Haas provided an overview of how streets are rated and the development of the five year capital improvement plan.

Per state statutes, every two years, on odd years, the Engineering Department is required to report the conditions of the roads in Greenfield to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. In Greenfield, there are 114 miles of roadway, not including the County and State highways that go through Greenfield. There are 15 miles of concrete and 99 miles of asphalt. Each roadway is evaluated using a rating number system from 1-10, one being the worst condition and 10 being the best condition. Mr. Haas provided photos and various examples of road ratings. Mr. Haas also explained that the biggest reason roadways fail is because of water sitting on the road and water drainage. The roadways that are evaluated low do not have curbs and gutters, they do not have ditches, and the water sits on the road, which creates

issues.

Mr. Haas explained the different types of road rehabs. There are opportunities to apply a mill and overlay to some of the roads based on their rating. Ald. Bailey inquired about the 84th Street roadway's condition. Mr. Katz stated that 84th Street road would be concrete when it is repaired or replaced because of truck traffic and it is a high traffic area. Mr. Haas stated that the five year capital plan can change as time goes on based on funding and the cost of the project.

7. Superintendent of Public Works report

Mr. Lasoski stated that DPW works with Engineering to repair cracks and potholes on the newer roadways to preserve the integrity of the new roads. Mr. Lasoski announced that he would be retiring on July 5, 2023, and he thanked everyone for their hard work and working "in concert" together. He announced that Randy Esch is the new Superintendent for Public Works.

Mr. Esch said that the staff continues to receive training. The Department of Public works continues to do streetlight maintenance and they are setting up Konkell Park for the Dan Jansen Festival. Mr. Esch also stated that the annual catch basin cleaning has begun and there will be improvements at the rest area on 68th Street and Forest Home for the Powerline Trail. Public Works has serviced 395 Diggers Hotline tickets, 137 service requests, and they will begin working on upgrades in the Heath Department and the Parks and Recreation Department.

8. Engineering Report

Mr. Haas provided an update on the current Greenfield construction projects. The 68th St concrete road project is right on schedule and will be completed next week. The 90th St and Waterford Ave reconstruction project is expected to begin in June. The asphalt resurfacing project and Howard Ave spot concrete replacement date is unknown. Sanitary improvement projects will occur later this year, possibly late summer and into fall.

Mr. Haas said Milwaukee Water Works is replacing the water main on Bottsford Avenue and 72nd St. This work is expected to start in July or early August. Finally, the Powerline Trail, Phase 2 design is ongoing and there is a virtual Public Informational Meeting which ends on Friday, May 26th. Please visit the trail website at PowerlineTrail.org for materials and the ability to leave a comment.

Mr. Katz provided an update and photos of the Honey Creek project. The west end of the project is nearing completion. The project began as a need to control flooding and, with additional grants, the City is able to also improve the habitat and environment. He provided an overview of the kinds of trees and plants that have been added to Konkell Park's landscape. There will be a grand opening event at Konkell Park, July 11th from 6-9pm, sponsored by Ruekert-Mielke, the Engineering firm who assisted with the design and development of the Honey Creek project.

Minutes are not official until formally approved by the Board of Public Works at the next scheduled meeting.

9. Other topics for future agendas

None

10. Adjournment

Motion by Denise Collins, seconded by John Graber to adjourn at 7:45 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes transcribed by Stefanie Richter, Administrative Assistant

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