

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING HELD AT THE GREENFIELD CITY HALL
ON TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 2024

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by Bruce Bailey at 6:32pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Alderperson Bruce Bailey, Alderperson Pam Akers, Denise Collins

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

Excused: Alderperson Andrew Drzewiecki, John Graber

3. Approval of the February 27, 2024 meeting minutes.

Motion by Alderperson Pamela Akers, seconded by Denise Collins to approve the February 27, 2024, meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Citizen Commentary

None

5. Adopt an ordinance establishing the speed limits on South 124th Street.

Mr. Katz stated that the speed limits vary on 124th Street between the Greenfield side and the New Berlin side of the street. He said the speed limit on 124th Street from the South City Limits to West Beloit Road is 35 mph which matches the speed limit in New Berlin. The speed limit on 124th Street from West Beloit Road to the North City Limits should be 30 mph to match the New Berlin and West Allis speed limits on 124th St.

Motion by Denise Collins, seconded by Alderperson Pamela Akers to adopt an ordinance establishing speed limits on South 124th Street. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Discuss the policy and procedures for closing streets for neighborhood block parties.

Mr. Esch stated that the Department of Public Works is notified by a resident, by phone or email, to request a block party street closure for a specific date. When the street closure is approved, the Administrative Assistant will send the resident a confirmation letter and will notify the Police Department, Fire Department, and the Alderperson for the District about where and when the specific street will be closed. Mr. Katz stated there was a recent block party request for the 4th of July and one of the neighbors did not want the street closed during the holiday. Denise Collins suggested that we should keep things the way they are for now, unless we see there is an issue in the future. No Action Taken.

7. Superintendent of Public Works report

Mr. Esch stated that the staff just did training with CIVMIC workzone traffic safety. Public Works has been working on replacing sidewalks at various locations throughout the City. The staff have completed four concrete paved areas for picnic tables in front

of the AMP. They also have replaced plants and flower beds on 76th Street and Layton Avenue. The Public Works staff continues to do routine maintenance on catch basin repairs, crack sealing, street sweeping, grass cutting, streetlights, etc. Mr. Esch said crews have been busy working on several city events with traffic control and parking. Since the last Board of Public Works meeting in February, there were 1630 Diggers Hotline tickets and 716 service requests.

Alderson Akers mentioned that the sidewalk in front of her house on West Layton Avenue and the sidewalk East of her has dirt collecting in the crack when there is a lot of rain. Alderson Akers requested DPW take a look at the section of sidewalk between 49th Street and 50th Street on West Layton Avenue. She also mentioned that there are a few areas where "No Parking Signs" are still needed in the Shirley Crest neighborhood across from Konkel Park. Mr. Katz said he would address the areas where signage is needed.

8. Engineering Report

Mr. Haas provided an update on the Greenfield projects. There is a concrete project on 68th Street between Edgerton Ave to Layton Ave. They are currently working on the south half of the pavement. He stated that once the roadwork is complete, sod restoration and pavement markings will occur. This area is expected to re-open in mid-July. The Mitchell Highlands Resurfacing Phase 2 paving project was completed last week. Mr. Haas said all that remains is sod placement on the entire project, which is expected this week. Mr. Haas said the 55th St/Carpenter Ave Resurfacing project is expected to start July 15th with completion in six weeks. They will be milling/removing the top layer of asphalt. This project is adjacent to the new park shelter currently being built in Konkel Park. Mr. Haas said construction is underway on the Powerline Trail Phase 2, from 60th Street to 35th Street and Pondview Park, and should be completed in mid-to-late August. This year there are two sanitary sewer projects: one is a spot repair project at two locations and that is complete and the second project is sewer lining, which will occur later this year. The Turf Skatepark construction is ongoing. The storm sewer site utilities have been installed. The contractor is currently working on the new bowl and the street course and the project should be completed later this fall. Mr. Haas said the City hired a company to check and perform routine maintenance on the five traffic signals that we operate. We are developing a sidewalk maintenance program where we dedicate funds to systematically go through the city and repair sidewalks on a certain cycle. Should sidewalks need to be removed and replaced, we will have a maintenance schedule.

Mr. Haas provided an update on other agency projects. The Wisconsin DOT continues to work on the I-894 resurfacing and the Loomis Rd bridge project. The DOT is also planning to resurface Loomis Road, starting at 51st Street at the Greenfield limits, going south. These projects are scheduled to be completed in fall.

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

Mr. Katz provided information on handouts that the Department of Neighborhood Services provides to our residents: yard waste stickers, a garbage/recycling calendar, online web calendars, Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewage District (MMSD) hazardous waste disposal information.

9. Other topics for future agendas

None

10. Adjournment

Motion by Denise Collins, seconded by Alderperson Pamela Akers to adjourn at 7:15PM. Motion carried unanimously.

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