

PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, May 8, 2018
Minutes

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:37 a.m.

Members Present

Paul Skrede, Police Chief Cory Johnson, Teresa Pendleton, John Menzel, and City Administrator Dana Young

Discuss Plowing Snow into Neighboring Yards

Discussion was held regarding private snow plow companies that were shoveling snow onto neighboring properties.

Chief Johnson stated that he received a handful of calls on this issue this past winter and would typically contact the private plow companies to remind them to store their snow on site.

Teresa Pendleton noted that there was a lot more snow this year so it's not surprising that this type of problems would develop since there is a lack of snow storage space.

Chief Johnson stated that keeping your snow on your own property is just a matter of common courtesy. He stated that he doesn't know if we need an ordinance on this issue or not.

Dana Young noted that he checked with a number of neighboring cities and didn't find any city that had an ordinance prohibiting the storing of snow on adjoining properties.

Teresa Pendleton recommended waiting to see if this is a problem next year.

Paul Skrede recommended placing a notice in the October Newsletter encouraging residents to keep both leaves and snow on their own property.

The Public Safety Committee adjourned on a motion by Dana Young, seconded by Chief Johnson. Motion carried 5-0.

Review Bid on Installation of Sump Manhole on Linden Road

Bobbi Lauer, 20565 Linden Road, was present to discuss the installation of a sump manhole on Linden Road that would reduce the amount of materials that are piped into her yard. She stated that debris collects in the manhole and outlets through the pipe onto the back of her property, leaving a pile of debris. She stated that she would prefer to have had this sump manhole installed at the front end of the storm water project back in 2015. She stated that she didn't sign up for this debris when she signed the easement agreement.

Further discussion was held on the need for curbing on Linden Road or more controls on the installation of silt fences to control the erosion of soil from various projects onto the street.

Dana Young stated that the City obtained a quote from Schneider Excavating in the amount of \$13,171.00 to replace the existing manhole with a sump manhole. He stated that this cost has not been budgeted in the 2018 Storm Water Fund and he would prefer that this project either wait until it can be budgeted in a future year or the project could be authorized if another project for this year fell through.

Paul Skrede asked how often the debris in the sump manhole would have to be vacuumed out.

John Menzel stated that it should last a season before we would have to pump out the manhole. He added that it depends on how much debris comes down the hill from those properties along Linden Road.

Dana Young informed Bobbi Lauer that the Committee would revisit the request to install a sump manhole on Linden Road at the August Public Works Committee meeting when more information would be available on the status of 2018 Easton Road pond project.

Discuss Paddleboard Request

Discussion was held on the request to install paddleboard storage units at Deephaven Beach and other public locations throughout Deephaven. Further discussion was held on the need to find a suitable design and cost for these storage units.

Discuss Private Road Street Improvements – Special Assessment Process

Dana Young stated that he occasionally hears from residents on private roads who are looking for help from the City in regards to resurfacing their private roads. He stated that these residents are not knowledgeable on street repairs and often are very reluctant to use engineers to develop bid specifications.

John Menzel noted that both Chimo East and West have been recently resurfaced.

Dana Young stated that the homeowner associations are often required to review bids from street contractors that they are not particularly well-suited to evaluate.

Paul Skrede suggested that residents could contract with the City to undertake the resurfacing of their own private road prior to the City initiating its own street improvement project. He stated that the contract would cover engineering and street improvement costs. He stated that this would have the benefit of requiring the residents to buy into the project at the front end and the amount of the contract fee would be available up front.

Discuss City Sign Painting Request

Dana Young stated that there is a resident named Pat Deeg who is interested in repainting the City's park and beach identification signs. He stated that the only thing Pat is requesting is that the City supply the paint.

Dana Young stated that there are two types of park and beach identification signs. There are 8 older signs that are painted brown and white and another 6 more expensive redwood signs that are painted blue and white.

Paul Skrede recommended leaving the older brown and white signs alone since they are likely to be replaced at some point down the road. He also recommended that Pat start on the sign at City Hall first so that we can evaluate the quality of his work before we give him our permission to repaint other city signs.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Dana Young, seconded by Paul Skrede. Motion carried 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Public Safety & Public Works Committee will be held on Tuesday, June 12, 2018.