

**MINUTES  
PUBLIC WORK'S COMMITTEE MEETING  
Wednesday, January 11, 2017  
5:30 P.M., Allouez Village Hall**

*Present: Jim Rafter, Clarence Matuszek, Rick King, Jim Genrich, Craig Berndt, Brad Lange  
Excused: Lynn Green*

1. MODIFY/ADOPT AGENDA

*In the absence of the Committee Chair a motion was made by Genrich/King to nominate Jim Rafter as Acting Chair. All ayes.*

***Motion by Matuszek/Genrich to adopt the agenda as presented. All ayes.***

2. APPROVE MINUTES from the December 14, 2016 meeting.

***Motion by Matuszek/King to approve the minutes from December 14, 2016. All ayes.***

**OLD BUSINESS:**

NONE

**NEW BUSINESS:**

3. DISCUSSION/ACTION: STORM LATERAL ASSESSMENTS FOR 2017 PROJECT (DPW Berndt).

*Discussion: Berndt explained the process staff goes through including notification to the affected property owners, cost estimates (not to exceed amount), hosting a public information meeting, drafting resolution of intent and financing options available to residents.*

*Berndt informed the committee that storm sewer assessments will include several properties on Longview and Bryan, and 2 properties on Jourdain Lane.*

*Question was asked if this is a new practice. Berndt explained that there are only a few streets left in the village that do not have a storm sewer system. When these roads are scheduled for reconstruction, storm sewers will be included in the project and residents need to hook up. There were several streets in past reconstruction projects where storm sewer was added and residents provided laterals and assessed.*

***Motion by Matuszek/King to recommend to the Village Board to proceed with of the preliminary resolution initiating the intent to assess for storm laterals and set a date for the public hearing. All ayes***

4. DISCUSSION/ACTION: NORTH RIVERSIDE DRIVE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING CONCEPT (DPW Berndt).

*Discussion was held on the possible location of the “Hawk” pedestrian crossing on the North end of the Village on Riverside Drive near Marine Street. Berndt presented a proposed location on Riverside Drive south of Marine Street, and recommended several items be included in the concept plan for the crossing. The concept plan is intended provide a walking route to Marine Street and include access to the Fox River Trail. This concept plan to include sidewalk on Riverside Drive, a sidewalk on the corner of Marine and Riverside, a sidewalk along Marine Street north side down to the west side of Marine Street, and a sidewalk along a portion of Marine Street. This concept plan may help with obtaining approval from WisDOT for the hybrid crossing. A draft concept plan including a layout will be prepared and submitted with a DOT permit application.*

*It will be necessary to recommend a day and time for WisDOT to conduct a pedestrian crossing measurement. This will be recommended based on committee input.*

*Jim Orourke – 2339 Oakwood Ave., would like to consider a crossing at the corner of St. Joseph and Riverside Drive. Berndt responded that the planning of a stop light at this location in the future would not allow for a “Hawk” crossing to be installed.*

***Motion by Genrich/Matuszek to recommend proceeding with the North Crossing as proposed. All ayes.***

5. DISCUSSION/ACTION: PROPERTY EASEMENTS REQUIRED FOR SOUTH RIVERSIDE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING (DPW Berndt).

*Discussion: Berndt explained that the plan is currently being review by WisDot and he is waiting for legal descriptions for the easements that will be necessary. Easements for construction and permanent easements for the signal poles and control box are needed.*

*Jim Orourke – the original crossing was further to the north and in the Historic District. He feels the crossing should be moved further north in order to have a connection of Sunset Park and Sunlight Park as this would be more appropriate.*

*No action taken.*

**DISCUSSION:**

6. DISCUSSION: OPTIONS FOR FUTURE FUNDING OF STREET/UTILITY PROJECTS (DPW Berndt).

*Discussion: Berndt brought up 2 possible funding mechanisms for discussion: Wheel Tax and the Infrastructure Improvement Plan the Federal Government has been discussing. The Wheel Tax is being implemented by about a dozen municipalities. The Infrastructure Improvement Plan is being drafted by the Federal Government and should be available in the next few months. The intent of bringing up this topic is to begin consideration of using this program for funding future village construction projects. The interest rate is expected to be about half of the cost of conventional bond financing. No action taken on this topic, but may be a future option for village reconstruction projects.*

7. ADJOURNMENT

*Motion by Matuszek/King to adjourn at 6:25pm. All ayes.*

Minutes by B. Lange and C. Berndt