

CITY OF LAKE GENEVA PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES
TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2020 4:30 P.M.
LAKE GENEVA CITY HALL; COUNCIL CHAMBERS (LOWER LEVEL)

Members: Chairperson Cindy Flower, Mary Jo Fesenmaier, Rich Hedlund, Tim Dunn, and John Halverson

Chairperson Flower called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.

Roll Call

Present :Flower, Halverson, and Fesenmaier

Absent: Dunn and Hedlund

Comments from the public as allowed by Wis. Stats. §19.84(2), limited to items on this agenda. Comments will be limited to 5 minutes

Brian Wagner, 301 Townline RD; Spoke in

Approve the regular Public Works Committee meeting minutes from June 9, 2020 as prepared and distributed
Motion by Fesenmaier to approve the minutes, second by Flower. No discussion.

Hedlund joined the meeting at 4:36 p.m.

Motion carried 3-0.

Director of Public Works Report

Public Works Director Earle noted that the department was extremely busy over the Fourth of July weekend and that he had extra staff to help with the beach operations. He also added that there was a lot of garbage that needed to be collected as well.

Earle added that he is waiting for the build on the new snow plow and that should be done sometime in August. No action taken.

Parking Manager Report

Parking Manager, Elder gave an overview of the parking operations to date. He noted that the parking app is gaining popularity in that it's revenue generated from June 2019 compared to June 2020 has more than doubled. Elder stated that the revenue is at about 25% for the year and that expenses are sitting at about 33%. He indicated that 8% of the parking revenue is coming from the park mobile app. No action taken.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding outdoor seating proposal request filed by Flat Iron Tap

Public Works Director Earle stated that he did obtain the utilities locates for this property and that the utilities have been identified as private. Flower stated that the proposed plan is in the packet and would allow for an outdoor seating area. Parking Manager Elder stated that the parking spots over there would need to be labeled as compact cars only. Hedlund stated that he thinks it's a great idea, however he worries about there being enough room for the parking. Flower expressed some concerns with allowing a business to build on the City property especially with a transformer in that area.

Motion by Flower to refer to the Finance, Licensing, and Regulation Committee without recommendation, second by Halverson. Hedlund added that he isn't against this idea and likes how the proposal looks; however he worries about the functionality of the alley. Flower would like this to be reviewed by the Attorney. Motion carried 4-0.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding the purchase of a Ventrac Sidewalk plow to be purchased with funds from the 2020 Capital Borrowing

Earle stated that this had been postponed since March and was asked to bring this payment back to committee in August.

Motion by Hedlund to approve, second by Halverson. Motion carried 4-0.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding pay request #6 (final) to MSI General for work completed for the Riviera Restoration project in an amount not to exceed \$139,209.50

Motion by Hedlund to approve, second by Flower. Motion carried 4-0.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding potential placement of garbage receptacles within Maple Park

Fesenmaier noted that there had been complaints about the garbage in the Maple Park district. Earle stated that he has concerns about placing garbage cans in a residential area in the aspect of being able to maintain the cans and that doing this would set a precedent. Fesenmaier stated that this neighborhood is different as it is immediately adjacent to the downtown and it has a lot more foot traffic. Mayor Klein noted that she would like there to be cans placed on Wisconsin Street within this district. Flower stated that she would like to see a garbage can on the corner of Cook Street and Geneva Street as it was in the past. Earle stated that he is having a hard time procuring garbage cans at this point. No action taken.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding awarding bid for the 2020 Street Improvement project

Motion by Hedlund to approve awarding the base bid and an additional four bids to Payne & Dolan, second by Halverson. Motion carried 4-0.

Discussion/Recommendation regarding 2021 Street Improvement Project

Greg Governatori stated that the HSIP grant for this project is near complete and will be submitted in mid-August. He added that he is working with the Police Department to investigate the crash history of that area. He added that the proposed changes in that area could reduce crashes by about 50% and improve visibility. Flower stated that she would like a list of dates for the deadlines regarding special assessments for the next meeting. Governatori stated that a median extension is being considered on Edwards Blvd to help with the traffic abatement near the Home Depot entrance. No action taken.

Discussion regarding 2022 Street Improvement Project as it relates to Townline Rd and Snake Rd Improvements

Governatori reviewed the road ratings map within the packet. Fesenmaier noted that she had received several more comments related to concerns with Townline Rd. Those issues included speeding and intersection at Cumberland Trail. Fesenmaier noted that she would like to see some kind of speed control placed on that road and maybe the placement of a roundabout at the intersection of Townline Rd and Edwards Blvd. Flower stated that she wouldn't want this on the agenda every month, but rather discuss it during the time that the road is placed within the street improvement project, based on its rating. Fesenmaier stated that she wouldn't necessarily like to wait on some of the issues and that it should be included on the agenda for an update only. Flower stated concerns with keeping this on month to month and that she would strongly encourage the Chief to set up some radar.

Flower explained that she had driven in Snake Road and had some concerns with the ditches and drainage on that road. Earle stated that he doesn't have a plan for this area, but he suggested that maybe the ditches could be filled in to help with this problem. Governatori noted that this road has already been included in the 2022 Street Improvement Projects. No action taken.

Discussion regarding potential parking issues on Conant Street

Flower stated that she had received complaints from citizens on Platt Ave regarding parking issues and that there is not a sidewalk on Conant Street. Issues include the fact that the road may be too narrow to accommodate parking and safe pedestrian travel. Hedlund would like to see the parking restricted on this street and that may be a short term solution until a sidewalk analysis can be completed. The committee noted that they would like to see this issue on the next Finance agenda. No action taken.

Discussion regarding Native Plantings

Flower would like to identify locations City wide for areas for native plantings. The Avian Committee had thought that the area in front of the museum may be a good area. She added that this may be a good conversation to have with the Park Board and research fundraising options. No action taken.

Future Agenda Items

- Townline Rd
- Parking on Conant Street
- 2021 Street Improvement Project
- Maple Park Garbage Cans

Adjourn

Motion by Hedlund to adjourn, second by Halverson. Motion carried 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.