

VILLAGE OF PORT EDWARDS

Port Edwards, Wisconsin

COMMITTEE: Public Works Meeting

DATE: May 20, 2021

TO: JOSEPH ZURFLUH

cc: BETSY MANCL
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JOHN BINGHAM
DIANE TREMMEL
PATRICK ARENDT

ERIK SAYLOR
SUE MITCHELL
TIARA GRUNDEN
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RAYMOND BOSSERT
DAILY TRIBUNE
WFHR/WGLX
NICK ABTS

Purpose of Meeting: **Regular Monthly Meeting**

Attendance: S. Mitchell, B. Mancl, J. Zurfluh, R. Bossert, J. Bingham, Ben Martinson

Citizens: None

Subjects Discussed, Action Taken, and Board Action Required:

Regular Monthly Meeting

- ***Call to order:*** Meeting called to order by J. Bingham at 4 p.m.
- ***Roll Call:*** All Present from above
- ***Approve the previous month's minutes and Agenda:*** **MOTION** (Mancl/Mitchell) to approve PW minutes from 22 April, 2021. Motion carried.
- ***Public comments on agenda items:*** None
- ***Committee Chairman's comments:*** None
- **ARP Funding.** We will continue to support an additional \$5000 for the installation of Village sidewalks from the pending ARP federal funding. This will increase the 2021 budget to \$15,000 and get us an additional 250LF of sidewalk using village public works staff.
- ***Public Works Updates***
 - a. **3rd Street Project.** Project will commence in Mid-June with a late August completion. Some concerns on resourcing supplies may add a delay but we are working with the contractor.
 - b. **1st street project.** Mill has been completed and all concrete and curb and gutter work, we will commence overlay next week. Project should be complete by Memorial Day. Total cost budgeted is \$100K

- c. **North Bike trail:** Ver bunker to Seneca road. This will commence in mid-June; we will mill the ends of the route then resurface the entire 1-mile segment. Due to the swampy nature of the ground, we will get 10 years of life before the bumps and divots return, but it will definitely be smoother tide for bikers and hikers.

- **Annual Sanitation Plant Compliance report.** Ben Martinson provided an update on the report and the committee supports making a Motion for the full board vote. The plant is running fine and well within parameters. **MOTION** to approve the Village of Port Edwards Annual Compliance report 2021 for the wastewater facility. (Bingham/ 2nd by Mitchell) all ayes.

- **Old Business.**
 - a. **Crosswalks along 54/73.** The state highway makes this a issue and unless we have a viable network north of the highway to connect to the state would not entertain a crossing. Any effort on our part to establish a network north along port road would be cost prohibitive for the amount of usage (over \$500K for a road or trail extension.). The issue about refocusing the discussion to making a double line (No passing) along the southern section of the road was referred to the Public safety committee.

 - b. **Village sanitation Deficit loan.** An update was provided on the loan parameters. Still looking at a 10-year loan at 1.75% for \$900K. This will also be part of a systemic increase every 2 years of rates proposed at 5%. A more detailed packet of Sanitation department figures will be provided at the June Board meeting. Comments from ben Martinson about increasing the rates causes residents to be more frugal and find ways to cut costs, thereby not providing income the village expects. Chairman Bingham stated that in fact is what we want villagers to do, it's not about collecting revenue. Trustee Mitchell stated we do need a more realistic long-term plan to capture rate increases. Trustee Mancl stated that Villagers are not purposely trying not to pay their fair share, they try their best to be good stewards of the water and thus wastewater and efforts on their part should be applauded. Technology is getting better for the Village as well as end user.

- **New Business.** None

- **Correspondence received.** None

- **Future Agenda items for next meeting;**
 - a. CIP plans for 2022
 - b. Future Public Works Revenue designation discussion

- **Next meeting date:** 17 June 2021 at 4pm (Thursday), in person

- **Adjourn:** Adjourned at 4:55 pm.

John Bingham – Chairman