

VILLAGE OF PORT EDWARDS

Port Edwards, Wisconsin

COMMITTEE: Public Works Meeting

DATE: July 22, 2021

TO: JOSEPH ZURFLUH

cc: BETSY MANCL
DANA DUNCAN
JOHN BINGHAM
DIANE TREMMEL
TIM LEVEARANCE

ERIK SAYLOR
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TIARA GRUNDEN
SCOTT DREW

RAYMOND BOSSERT
DAILY TRIBUNE
WFHR/WGLX
NICK ABTS

Purpose of Meeting: **Regular Monthly Meeting**

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

Citizens: None

Subjects Discussed, Action Taken, and Board Action Required:

Regular Monthly Meeting

- ***Call to order:*** Meeting called to order by Chairman Bingham at 4 p.m.
- ***Roll Call:*** All Present from above(Trustee Mancl arrived at 4:15 pm)
- ***Approve the previous month's minutes and Agenda:*** **MOTION** (Zurfluh/Mitchell) to approve PW minutes from 17 June 2021 Motion carried.
- ***Public comments on agenda items:*** None
- ***Committee Chairman's comments:*** None
- ***Public Works Updates***
 - a. **3rd Street Project.** Project will commence in 2 weeks, all supplies on location awaiting work team from Gerky. We will have a late August completion.
 - b. **Budget 2022 Discussion.** Director Martinson advised the need to continue to fund the machinery fund as well as street repairs so we can have high quality equipment as well as well-maintained roads. Administrator Bossert advised that we try to place funds from the sales of equipment back into the same department, in this case Public works uses the funds from equipment sales as trade in credit, so there is no actual revenue from a old Public works vehicle.
- ***Vehicle Registration and Infrastructure Fee for Road maintenance.*** A continuing discussion on the ability for the Village to instate a State DMV fee for all registered cars in the Village to be used for Road

maintenance. The issue has been discussed in multiple committees since September 2020. It was decided to move forward as a committee the MOTION as presented. The positive's noted:

- a. The Village DOES NOT charge any Special Assessments for Curb and Gutter, sidewalks, street repairs and any water and sanitary lines.
- b. This can be a budgeted item every vehicle owner or family can make annually that is more palatable than the current thousand dollar + charge for special assessments for work done on a property.
- c. The administrative cost is minimal (less than \$300 Annually to the State DMV), the fees would be received monthly (approx. \$5500) with a revenue generated close to \$70K annually.
- d. This will directly impact actual users of the roads and collect on approx. 90% of all Villagers who use the road networks. Less than 200 vehicles of the 2300 vehicles are exempt in the Village per DOT records.
- e. This gives the Village the ability to repair over 1 mile of roads annually when combined with property tax funding currently provided. Ensuring all the Village Road network (approx. 15 miles in total) gets addressed every 15-20 years, well within the recommended parameters.

f. **MOTION** to approve a resolution supporting a Vehicle infrastructure fee of \$35 for every qualified vehicle (over 2000 potential Village vehicles) in the village starting in January 2022. These funds will be used for regular annual street repairs and resurfacing. (Mitchell/ 2nd Mancl) all ayes.

- **Old Business.** The Veterans park is delayed due to receipt of the Flag poles, the Village will attempt to emplace some concrete for the pad before the end of summer.
- **New Business.**
- **Correspondence received.** None
- **Future Agenda items for next meeting;**
 - a. Results of the Public session on the WIS DOT project on Hwy 73/54
 - b. 2022 Budget discussion by line item.
- **Next meeting date:** 19 August 2021 at 4pm (Thursday), in person
- **Adjourn:** Adjourned at 5:20 pm. By Mitchell

John Bingham – Chairman