

Meeting Minutes
Department of Public Works Committee Meeting
Wednesday, February 1, 2023, 8:30 A.M.

Mr. Ratterman called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m.

The following members were present

Mark Ratterman, Brooke Palanca, Kaufmann, Randy Parham, Clint Williams, and Brent Suffian

Also present

Patrick Hensley, Councilman; Anne Lamitola, Director of Public Works; and Lori Mullins, Deputy City Clerk

Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted unanimously upon motion by Mr. Suffian and second by Mr. Williams.

Approval of meeting minutes

The minutes of the December 7, 2022 meeting were approved unanimously upon motion by Mr. Suffian and second by Mr. Williams.

Public Forum

Mr. John Mancini would like the Committee to consider additional brush pickups. His yard has a lot of sticks, year-round and the current limited schedule does not allow for adequate pickup for the debris from the mature tree on his 3.5-acre yard. He suggested converting some leaf pick up time to brush pickup. He would like the Committee to look at the budget and see if they can make it happen.

Discussion ensued regarding conducting a survey of residents for their input, a self-pay option and feasible additional brush pickups.

Ms. Lamitola explained scheduling additional brush collections over the winter months would require coordination around the weather conditions. Once winter weather is forecasted, the salt spreaders and installed onto the two-ton trucks which are the same pieces of equipment utilized for brush collection. Converting the trucks back and forth will be challenging. Additionally, trying to add brush collection pick-ups during the fall months also will present challenges as leaf boxes are installed on the two-ton trucks for the duration of the leaf season. In order to provide brush collection during the leaf collection season, additional manpower and vehicles would be needed.

Ms. Lamitola will discuss the issue with Scot Bollinger, Public Works Superintendent and report options and costs to the Committee.

Update of Current Public Works Projects, Initiatives

Stormwater Projects

A special Stormwater Advisory Committee meeting was held on January 26 to discuss the stormwater projects and update the Committee on the Federally assisted flood buyouts.

The Deerfield/Wakefield Stormwater Infrastructure project remains in the easement acquisition phase; with fourteen of eighteen easements obtained. The determination to place the project on in-active status was postponed until the April 6th meeting.

Roadway/Sidewalk/Traffic projects

Dielman Sidewalk and Road Improvements project is in the easement acquisition phase with OR Colan as the Project Manager. Of the twelve required easement, agreements have been reached with eleven property owners. After ROW is certified complete, the bid documents including the construction plans will be finalized. The City is currently working on obtaining MSD approval for the project.

The draft Walk Plan was presented to the Public in November for review and community input. Over 40 members of the public attended, many comments were received. Comment cards were collected through December 16. Horner & Shifrin has evaluated the walkability options and updated the Evaluation Matrix document.

A Technical Memorandum for the Clayton Road Pedestrian Crosswalk Analysis was discussed. The City will be responsible for funding the retrofitting of the signals although cost sharing options exist with MoDOT. The memorandum will be provided to MoDOT as both signals are under their jurisdiction.

Parks/Open Space Projects

Design for the Deer Creek Preserve project is in the permitting phase. Funding for the trail, parking, benches, and plantings will come from the Municipal Park Construction Grant, the MSD easement proceeds, and potentially Missouri Department of Natural Resources funding through the Deer Creek Watershed Alliance's Watershed Implementation Plan grant. MSD is still constructing the Deer Creek Sanitary Sewer project on the site through the spring. The MSD required flood study for the new bridge is in the process of being finalized.

The next BOSTA Committee meeting will be on February 9th. The Committee now meets monthly to review tree removal permits.

OTHER MATTERS DEEMED APPROPRIATE

Upcoming Meetings

The next Public Works Committee meeting is scheduled for April 5th at 8:30 am.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 upon motion by Mr. Williams and second by Mr. Parham.

Sincerely,



Mark Ratterman
Department of Public Works Committee