

Public Works Review Minutes Sept. 15th, 2016

Meeting called to order by Ihm at 5:00pm. Members present; Ihm, Morgan, Olmstead. DPW Hauth, Robert Keeney, Greg Martin, Terry Schwartz

Minutes from 8/9/16 approved by Morgan and Olmstead

Greg Martin explained the problems they were experiencing at the site of the new funeral home on S. Madison with water run-off from Atrium nursing home property. There is approximately 17,000 square feet of roof area at nursing home and about ½ of it drains towards the funeral home property to an underground type of French drain that is not functioning properly any longer. There is also run-off from the parking lot in this area. Funeral home is having trouble getting landscaping done due to the water and top soil is washing in to the retention pond on their property. Funeral home has installed a storm pipe and inlet to within in 5' of the property line to catch some of this water at their own expense. Greg has contacted Michael Driscoll from the nursing home head office but has not had any response lately; the local administrator has not been able to help with the situation. City administrator suggested meeting with public works committee and he informed DPW Hauth that city attorney felt this was a civil matter between property owners. Hauth gave examples of areas where city storm water drains on to private property and the city has worked with landowners to protect the property from damage. He felt this was a similar situation. Greg and Terry asked if the city could make contact with Atrium nursing home management to explain the situation and suggest the two property owners meet. Hauth felt that it would be up to administrator and city attorney to decide if the city should get involved in the matter. Committee felt the administrator should at least try contacting Mr. Driscoll to discuss the problem.

Hauth presented a map that highlighted a new section of city streets to be open to ATV/UTV use. The streets included Old. County K, Ihm St. and City Limits to a point to be determined east of Adams St. This would allow users to access New Horizons convenience store and businesses on Ihm St. Committee had no objections.

Hauth informed committee that Water Well Solutions has installed a temporary pump at well #1 and would like the city to consider an asset management program. The program would spread maintenance costs out with an annual payment and municipality would not have to come up with a large amount of money for repairs. Robert Keeney added that Mt. Hope was approached by this company recently and added that Municipal Well and Pump will be offering a similar service. Hauth has asked a representative from Water Well Solutions to attend the next public works meeting.

2016 projects were reviewed. Everything has gone well and Rule Const. has done some additional work for the city.

Robert Keeney updated the committee on Orchard Manor sewer line and future building plans at this site. The county will need to update their existing wastewater treatment plant to meet phosphorus regulations by 2022. The most economical option for county is to abandon treatment plant and send wastewater to the city. Anticipated new jail construction would take place in 2018-2019. County will be asking DNR for an extension to phosphorus limits so planning can be done to meet all future needs. The

county will be holding committee meetings on Sept. 20th to discuss building options and make recommendations to county board. Hauth will be attending on behalf of the city. County and city engineers will try to meet in the next month to lay out plan.

No committee comments

Motion to adjourn by Morgan and Ihm

Submitted by John Hauth