

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE OF THE VILLAGE OF METTAWA, ILLINOIS, HELD AT THE HOUR OF 6:00 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2023 IN THE COTTONWOOD ROOM A

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Smolic called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

B. ROLL CALL

Upon a call of the roll, the following persons were:

Present: Chairman Smolic and Members Clark and Pelech

Absent: None

Chairman Smolic declared a quorum present.

Attendees: Village Clerk, Sandy Gallo; Village Administrator, Mandi Florip; Village Engineer, Scott Anderson; Trustees Towne and Armstrong

Others in Attendance: Aero RC Sport Club Representative and Dave Kraft from Hey & Associates

C. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER

The minutes of the regular meeting for September 13, 2023 were reviewed. It was moved by Member Clark and seconded by Member Pelech that the regular meeting minutes be approved and be placed on file. The motion was carried.

D. UPDATE ON THE STORMWATER DRAINAGE PROJECT AT MACLEAN PRESERVE AT OASIS PARK

Dave Kraft from Hey & Associates Inc. provided the Committee an update on the grant submission for the stormwater project. Mr. Kraft indicated they have been working on the design work for this project. Gewalt Hamilton Associates is handling the municipalities application submissions for the grant. Mettawa is currently in Phase 3 of the funding grant process. The state is in Phase 2 of the process; however, they are requiring municipalities to complete Phase 3, the design plans. The state is indicative that the funding will be made available late of 2024. Once the funding has been dispersed, municipalities are expected to commence their projects immediately. As a result, Mettawa could anticipate commencing this project in 2025. Mr. Kraft asked the Committee members if they want to commence the project next year without the grant funding or wait for Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) grant funding for this project. Mr. Kraft reiterated to the Committee there is no promise that Mettawa would receive DECO funding, but he is feeling very optimistic that the financial amount would be granted. Chairman Smolic indicated the village currently has no urgency to commence in 2024 nor without the financial support from the state. The state funding to be received is estimated at 80% of the projects cost. Member Pelech asked if there were any environmental or safety issues the Village should be mindful to consider completing this work prior to 2025. Mr. Kraft replied no, flood mitigation is always assessed but MacLean Preserve at Oasis Park is not rated high. Some structure flooding was occurring around this location but onsite work was completed in 2020 to address those immediate drainage issue. There is a limited risk to structure damage to the residents who are parallel to the access road flooding. Mr. Kraft added in relation to region flooding it is not a concern. Member Armstrong asked if there are any immediate actions the village can participate in doing for the surrounding residents prior to the 2025

construction. Mr. Kraft indicated the underbrush located on private property could be cleared in the meantime. Village Administrator Florip added she along with Mr. Kraft visited the residents onsite and heard their concerns. During this visit, residents received recommendations on ways to enhance the water drainage surrounding their property. Member Pelech asked if the village would have any legal ramification if this project commenced in 2025. Mr. Kraft replied no, the village is addressing a drainage issue that is occurring on resident properties. This matter is only being handled by the village due to the available open land to accept the water drainage. The village is working on private property to best address the drainage issue. Mr. Kraft said H&A will continue to work with Lake County Stormwater committee to determine if they need further details for the grant qualification. Mr. Kraft indicated once they know the grant process is moving along and on track, H&A will begin the process of obtaining permits.

E. UPDATE ON LITTLE ST. MARYS ROAD AND LITTLE MELODY LANE ROAD PAVEMENT

Village Engineer Scott Anderson indicated all of the approved new culverts have been installed. Chicagoland Paving anticipates they will begin grinding the road in the next few days. Chairman Smolic asked if the new culverts are being placed at the same grading of the old ones. Village Engineer Scott Anderson replied most of them are being installed to the same level, a few areas will require the land to be tapered to support the level of the new culvert. Weather permitting the road will be completed next week.

F. UPDATE ON THE CLEANING OF THE VILLAGE’S CULVERTS

Village Engineer Scott Anderson stated American Vactor are scheduled to start next week.

G. ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT MAY APPEAR TO THE COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION, AND IF APPROVED, BE RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Trustee Towne stated he continues to witness Lincolnshire’s presence is creating a reduction of speeding on the village roads. Trustee Towne added over the weekend a car event was held in the Village of Green Oaks. As a result, cars traveling north bound on Bradley Road, raced through the village at high-speed levels along with loud revving engine sounds. Member Armstrong indicated she called the Lake County Sheriff office to report the cars racing on Bradley Road and not stopping at the designated STOP signs. Member Pelech indicated she will look to see which car event was held to know their event schedule. The goal is to advise Lincolnshire of these events to patrol during their hours. Village Clerk Gallo added residents should not be calling Lincolnshire for any matters. All emergency reporting’s should be directed to 911, the Lake County Sheriff’s office.

Member Pelech indicated a resident along Old School Road asked if the village would consider placing speed bumps on this road to reduce the speeders. Village Engineer Scott Anderson replied the county roads do not approve of speed bumps on their road. The village too would encounter several issues if they placed speed bumps on their roads.

H. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Member Pelech and seconded by Member Clark to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 pm. The motion was carried.

Sandy Gallo, Village Clerk