

**Public Works Committee**  
**Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023**  
**(Hybrid Meeting)**

**Members Present:** Tom Majewski, Jean Ligocki, Kay Rashka, Fred Hundt, Jeffrey Bartzen and Mayor Swadley

**Absent/Excused:** Rachel Venegas

**Staff:** Public Works Director Brett Hebert, Planning Director Rodney Scheel

**Guests:**

**Call to Order:** *Majewski* called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM

1) **Communications:**

- *Director Hebert* presented a breakdown of snow totals for the last four years. We are averaging 21.75 snow events, 44 inches of snow and using 522.5 tons of salt

2) **Approve December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Hundt to approve the minutes and seconded by Ligocki. Motion carried 5-0.

3) **Old Business:** Discuss and Possible Approval of Public Stormwater Basin Design Language:

*Director Scheel* presented the current ordinance and highlighted the area that was modified in 2021 along with the suggested language provided by *Majewski*. Discussion was had of how and where to insert the new language; in which everyone was in favor for. *Hundt* proposed the new verbiage of “Basins shall be designed to appear as a naturally formed body of water with irregular and imperfect flowing shoreline with curving appearance and no angular or geometric shapes” to be inserted after the first sentence of the current ordinance. *Bartzen* also suggested to put in specifics; “For example; no perfectly symmetrical circles, ovals, rectangles or squares”

Motion to accept the proposed new language to go to Council for approval, seconded by Ligocki. Motion carried 5-0

**New Business:**

4) **Review and Approve Cost Allocation Framework for Joint Street and Utility Projects:**

*Director Hebert* presented a breakdown of upcoming joint street construction projects that he, *Scheel* and *Jill Weiss* (Utility Director) have been working on for the last few months. The framework specifies which department would be financially responsible for each project.

Motion by Hundt to approve and bring to Council for approval, seconded by Majewski. Motion carried 5-0

## 5) 2023 Street Construction Project Overview:

### a) Jackson St – Path vs Sidewalk Replacement

*Director Scheel* presented areas to take into consideration for this project as well as a breakdown of estimate cost for asphalt (\$169,910) vs concrete (\$186,160). It was found that concrete would be about \$16,000 more than asphalt however, it was pointed out it concrete would potentially last 10-15 years longer than asphalt if installed properly. If the shared-use path is not installed, the estimated cost to replace defective sidewalk in area proposed for the shared-use path is \$65,000. ***The committee supports moving forward with a concrete shared-use path on the south side of Jackson Street from USH 51 to Silverado Drive.*** This compliment the 2023 shared-use path project that will extend along the west side of Paradise Pond from Jackson Street north to the 51 West Development.

### b) Kensington Square – Sidewalk Infill

*Director Scheel* reported this year's project will include infilling sidewalk on the west side of Kensington Square north of Jackson Street. There is one parcel that is missing sidewalk and this infill will connect existing sidewalk on both ends.

### c) Bickley Ct

*Director Scheel* presented the plan from Strand along with current pictures of the area showing there currently is no sidewalk in place now; with the exception of an area that has a sidewalk that does not connect or lead anywhere. He explained that they could taper the driveways to create a better apron instead of putting in sidewalks since there is very little pedestrian traffic in this area. ***The committee supports moving forward without provisions for sidewalks to be installed now or in the future on Bickley Court. This will allow driveway aprons to be installed without sidewalk installed through them. Also, the small existing sidewalk sections will be removed.***

### c) Miscellaneous Design Items

*Director Scheel* went over the preliminary design layout for the S. Fourth St reconstruction project, which is part of the BIL grant program, from Milwaukee St to Isham. A 10-foot-wide multi-use path is slated to be included in the project on the west side of the road. The committee discussed removing the existing intermittent sections of sidewalk on the east side of the road. ***The committee supports moving forward with the project design that will remove the existing sidewalk on the east side of South Fourth Street south of Mandt Parkway and reducing the street width to 33 feet south of Mandt Parkway and 39 feet north of Mandt Parkway.***

### d) Construction Project Open House

*Director Scheel* stated a direct mailer is going out this week and the Open House will take place January 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm at the Fire Department.

## 6) Norse Park Playground Design Ideas:

*Director Hebert* presented a design guide to replace the current playground. The idea of a Nordic/Viking theme with ideas of a Viking ship, swings nautical climbing structure along with ADA sensory features were sent to vendors for proposals.

**7) Future Agenda Items:**

**8) Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Ligocki, seconded by Rashka to adjourn the meeting at 7:10pm pm. Motion carried 5-0**

Respectfully submitted by Jen Wagner 1/20/2023