

**STREETS COMMITTEE MEETING
MARCH 19, 2008
MINUTES**

Carl Hofstetter chairperson, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Other members present: Edna Davis, Joan Jemison. Others present: Bill Poole, Mayor, Dan Weir. Administrator, Charlie Ehrhart, Director of Streets and Utilities and Bethann Petronio, Secretary.

AGENDA: No changes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 6, 2008: *There were no corrections to the minutes. Davis made a motion, seconded by Hofstetter to approve the minutes as written. ROLL CALL: All Yeas (3)*

OLD BUSINESS:

DOWNTOWN INTERSECTION: Seems to be on schedule considering the weather issues. The street signage has been installed. Hofstetter questioned adding St. Rte. 87 to the signs instead of just the street name. Other signs stating that street as being St. Rte. 87 could be removed. Discussed removing one stop sign on the left hand turn lanes. There are currently two signs at each turn lane.

EAGLE PARK PARKING LOT EXPANSION: Discussed expanding the parking lot area for the new splash park. Village owns property behind the existing parking lot. Nothing has been done at this time due to the inclement weather. Not sure how many parking spaces can be added. More spaces would be constructed towards Tare Creek and keep some buffer between the residents and the parking lot. Will start on this when the weather breaks.

SIDEWALKS TO GLEN VALLEY – PHIL MILLER PROPOSAL: Received proposal for sidewalks from Lenny Drive east to Glen Valley Drive. Would be approximately \$87,000. There would need to be extensive landscaping to be done in order to construct the sidewalks in this area. The property is located in the township and village would need to get easements from the homeowners. If the village agrees to install new aprons for these homeowners they may be more receptive to giving the village the easements.

TRASH CAN REPLACEMENT: Discussion has been held regarding replacing of approximately 40 trash cans throughout the parks and village properties. Quote was for green steel cans with dome tops. Would be approximately \$11,467.20 for those and approximately \$13,000 for smaller containers with attached lids. The green ones would look good in the all of the parks. The committee would like to see a sample of the container before ordering a large quantity.

NEW BUSINESS

CSX RIGHT OF WAY – MERVIN MILLER: The property that Mr. Miller owns in a landlocked situation. The village owns the B & O area where there have been wells drilled. There had been a pending deal with another landowner to possibly land swap so the village could have a right of way there. Wanted to work out a deal for the entire parcel but the deal fell through. Mr. Miller has a great deal of money invested in his property and had swapped land for the right of way to Rte. 608. His deed did not show that the village owned a portion of the right of way. Would like to purchase that portion of the right of way from the village in order to protect his property investment. The county permitted him to install his septic system on the property line and a portion of the village's land. The village has approximately \$34,000 invested in the property with engineering and legal fees. Mr. Miller could maybe talk to his neighbors about splitting the cost of the property in order to protect their properties also. The village needs to maintain a certain portion of the land in order to keep the well head area protected. Maybe consider giving the village an easement for the property so that we can possibly drill another well without interfering with their property. Would probably want \$34,000 plus an easement for the property. Mr. Miller's deed would need to be changed to show that easement. Dan will contact Mr. Miller regarding the acreage that the village will need to protect the well heads.

PROPOSAL FOR FLOWER BASKETS AND PLANTERS – URBAN GROWERS: Will be the same cost as last year, \$3600 for the baskets and \$650 for the flower beds and planters. Need to have some light landscaping done by the bulk station located at Western Reserve. *Davis made a motion to accept this proposal, seconded by Jemison. Roll Call: All Yeas (3)*

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DEAF CHILD SIGNS ON EDGEWOOD DRIVE – TIFFANY STEHLIK: Ms. Stehlik has now moved to Edgewood and would like a new deaf child sign put up on the street. The township already has a sign up farther down the road for the Cloverdale portion of the road. Will see if they would move the sign closer to her area of the street. Would like to have the other sign on W. High remain due to the fact that her child is sometimes at that home.

MID BLOCK CROSSWALK ON S. STATE AVE.: This is a very dangerous crosswalk. When Rte. 608 is resurfaced, the crosswalk should be eliminated. Maybe consider a small directional sign there to tell walkers to cross at the traffic light.

CEMETERY SEXTON – WAGES, SOFTWARE, RESPONSIBILITIES: Sexton currently receives \$325 per month and has requested an increase to \$1,000 per month. Some of the paperwork responsibilities have been moved to the village office. The software program is not necessary since the information has been inputted into excel at the office. The original cemetery deeds are on file in a fireproof safe at the village hall and the sexton has copies of all the deeds. The sexton is still responsible for the selling of cemetery plots. Considering giving a cost of living raise every year instead of one large increase. For the moment the sexton was alright with the salary as is.

LANDSCAPING & LAWN SERVICES – S&S LANDSCAPING PROPOSAL: The proposal is for \$20,995.00 which includes landscaping services for the new splash park. Probably won't be much maintenance there this summer. Have not had complaints about the mowing, etc. at the cemetery. *Davis made a motion to accept the proposal for landscaping services by S & S Landscaping, seconded by Jemison. Roll Call: All Yeas (3)*

ALMEDA DRIVE: There is an area that needs to be graded where it collects water. The pavement freezes and raises in the winter.

MIDDLEFIELD CHEESE WWTP OUTFALL RELOCATION: Middlefield Cheese submitted a map and letter regarding discharging into Tare Creek. They are inquiring as to if the village would allow them to run a line down the B & O to Tare Creek for discharge. Seemed to have picked the most difficult way to get the discharge down to that area. Dan to contact them and find out their reasoning for this specific route.

EAGLE PARK: Jemison commented on the fact that since the park has been built, that some of the residents have no privacy in their yards from the park. Need to plant some trees to provide some privacy.

PENDING

MAUSOLEUM: Will be waiting till spring to install the pad for the mausoleum.

ODOT – STATE AVE. – PAVING PROJECT: Project is slated for this spring.

There being no further business, Davis moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Hofstetter at 9:20 a.m.