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**STREETS COMMITTEE MEETING
APRIL 30, 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: Delete – N.B. #1 – Sidewalk at Post Office
Add – N.B. #7 – Community Gardening
- N.B. #8 - Bee Hives at WWTP

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 19, 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: Most of the old mast arms have been removed and the intersection looks very nice. Phil Miller will be coming in to concrete the areas where the old poles were located. Still consider removing the left hand stop sign through the turn lanes. More people seem to see that sign rather than the right hand stop sign.

EAGLE PARK PARKING LOT EXPANSION: The trees have been removed and the gravel has been placed. Still need to do a curb cut but want to wait until the park opens so that the parking lot isn't messed up before then. Maybe consider putting in a few more teeter totters at Mineral Lake. Only one there now and it gets used a lot.

SIDEWALKS TO GLEN VALLEY : Would be approximately \$117,000 for engineering costs and concrete work. Engineering costs was from Foresight. Will get some other quotes from engineering firms. Will need easements for this area unless the sidewalk is kept in the right of way area.

TRASH CAN REPLACEMENT: The new trash receptacles are here and have placed out at the new park. Look very nice.

MAUSOLEUM: Will be getting a cost from Phil Miller to put in the foundation at the cemetery for the mausoleum. The mausoleum can be delivered at any time.

CSX RIGHT OF WAY – MERVIN MILLER: Have a map that shows each piece of property and the value of each parcel. Discussed with Tom Lee and he said the village should ask for the purchase price of the property or the easements that are needed. Committee decided that the property owners should decide which one and then the village can counter offer if need be.

MIDDLEFIELD CHEESE WWTP OUTFALL: They are still talking with EPA regarding this project. The Village needs more information regarding where this outfall will be located. Do not want this outfall to effect the 2nd phase of the WWTP plant by cutting the limits for the village. Village is concerned about the easements around the wells. Do not want any cross contamination.

ODOT STATE AVE. PAVING PROJECT: Should be paving the top coat on the road some time next week.

NEW BUSINESS

OPWC ROUND 23 – 2009 PROJECTS: The application came for OPWC 2009 project. The village does not have any streets that are in desperate need of repair. Sperry Lane is holding up okay since the repair work last year. The project needs to be an area that the whole village uses. This is grant money.

KIWANIS CLUB CLEAN UP PROJECT: Kiwanis would like to do a clean up day in the parks as one of their projects. Would also like to purchase some trash receptacles with their logo to be placed around the parks, etc. Since the village just purchase receptacles, maybe there could be plaques or something placed on a few of the receptacles. Dan will contact the organization.

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“CHILDREN AT PLAY” SIGNS: Resident from Hillcrest Ave. has requested signs be put up about children at play. It is safer to have the signs but this is a dead end street and the committee felt that they were not needed.

GREENSTREETLIGHT.COM: This is for consulting service for street lighting charges. Will recommend what lighting company would be most economical for the village. Most lights are using LED's. Could apply for grants to pay for the consultation. Dan will check on this program.

PROPOSAL FROM CRABGRASS LANDSCAPING: This proposal is for some landscaping to be done at George Knox Park. Mr. Knox's grandson is going to be doing all of the work and supplying the materials. There will be no cost to the village. The family is donating this project.

COMMUNITY GARDENING: Hofstetter suggested having an area of land where residents could plant their own gardens. Some of the parcels in town are rather small and people would like to have gardens. This is becoming very popular. Thought there was a place out by the sewer treatment plant but it is all fill. May continue to look for an area.

BEE HIVES AT WWTP: Consider putting bee hives at the WWTP since the village has so many flowers and plantings in the village. There is a bee hive supplier in Hiram but it might be too late in the season for this year. Since the bee population is becoming extinct it would be helpful for pollination. This would be far enough away from parks so no one would get stung. ***Davis made a motion to authorize administrator to purchase bee hives for placement at the WWTP. Jemison seconded. ROLL CALL: All Yeas (3)***

There being no further business, Davis moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Hofstetter at 9:05 a.m.