



GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEE  
MEETING NOTES OF FEBRUARY 4, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 a.m. by Lutke.

Present: Case, Lutke and Newcomb

Staff present: Fay, Larrea and Miller

#### Reports

The DPW report was submitted by Miller and can be found in this meeting packet. Miller reported that a complete rehab has taken place on three on ton vehicle. Staff is in the process of coal patching using a new product, rock asphalt purchased out of Texas that works great for small potholes. It is a portable product, non-marring, and carries a three warranty. Case asked if the Village could do anything about the huge pot holes in the parking lot at the post office. It is private property, however Larrea will check the zoning ordinance to see if it contains anything he could present to the property owner.

The Treasurer report was submitted by DeVol and can be found in this meeting packet.

#### Public Comments

Ostrowski stated he supported rerouting the bike trail and the new signage for it. It is a safer route due to not crossing M-22. The project would pull people off of the trail and redirect them down St. Mary's to M204. It is an MDOT supported program.

Julie Clark thanked the Village for applying and receiving a 2% grant that would extend the Leelanau trail to Peshawbestown. The project is conceptual right now.

#### Report VSB-2020-03 Vehicle Purchase

Larrea stated the proposed truck purchase would hold more staff, alleviating the need for two trucks going to a job site. It is state pricing and the base cost is \$30,000. Committee recommends Village Council amend the budget line item 402-000-974 by \$40,000 for the purchase of a new vehicle.

#### Report VSB-2020-05 USBR 35 Route Realignment

Committee recommends Report VSB-2020, USBR 35 Route Realignment, to the Village Council for consideration. The Village would replace the signs. Newcomb wondered if the Village could also redirect snow mobiles.

#### Broadway Street-Temporary Solution Discussion – update

Case stated the Village is doing a good job exploring solutions for the water issue on Broadway.

He stated he is concerned about spring run-off, and wondered if the Village would consider asphalt curbing on the south side to redirect the run off. Kathy Egan supports temporary curbing which helped prior by keeping water from entering her basement, but not her yard. Larrea suggested to Egan to place sand bags around her window well, and could help her locate some sand bags. Larrea stated the Village could likely put in some temporary curbing. Larrea and Miller met with KAL excavating about an alternative solution to forming a draining district. KAL gave a preliminary quote of \$19,000, and once the snow melts a site survey and soil borings would take place, noting the work would be within Village limits. The idea would be for the water to go all the way down Broadway and enter the storm system. The project could involve removing some trees, putting in culverts, ditching, and an infiltration basin. An easement at 420 Broadway would be necessary. Miller has been monitoring the road daily, has been watching the water flow and what/who it impacts. He stated a lot of flow action has transcended to the north side. Newcomb pointed out dredging on 633 when the water level changes, and wondered if it could be considered for Broadway. Miller stated that once easements are required, and if there is a silt table, then the silt can be removed. Committee recommends to Council KAL excavating be contacted as soon as possible so that the Village can get on their calendar.

#### Waterwheel Park Discussion

Case stated the Park is one of the community's best assets and suggested the Village explore volunteer efforts and local resources. Erosion within the stream is significant. Larrea stated the site has been looked at by a structural engineer, and that there is funding in the budget for an initial design. Restructuring would be expensive, perhaps around \$60,000. Larrea would like to look into grant funding for the project. Committee recommends Waterwheel Park as a priority, and recommends obtaining a cost to stabilize the creek, and that a design be brought back to Committee for consideration.

#### Ice Rink Discussion (this item was added to the Agenda)

A draft agreement between the Township and the Village was presented by the Township. Larrea stated he has not seen the original agreement, and thought the proposed agreement needs some work. Committee discussed the agreement, and asked the Township how the proposed agreement would benefit the Village. Larrea stated he is not in favor of turning park land into a parking lot. Currently if someone wants to use the park, they get permission from the Township. Larrea and Committee questioned why the Village would maintain a Township park, noting a preference of putting Village funds into Village owned parks. It was the consensus of Committee that additional information, education and brain storming is necessary to continue a partnership discussion. Perhaps the Village should take it over as a Village Park.

#### Public Comments

Ostrowski noted erosion at the coal dock, and suggested armoring. Larrea stated the Village has been looking at the erosion and stated over \$100,000 has been spent already on emergency fixes.

The meeting adjourned at 9:07 a.m.

Meeting notes submitted by Shar Fay, Village Clerk.

