



VILLAGE OF SUTTONS BAY
GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
MEETING NOTES OF JANUARY 3, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 8:32 a.m. by Lutke.

Present: Smith, Lutke and Suppes

Staff present: Fay, Larrea and Miller

Reports

The DPW Director Report was submitted by Miller and can be found in this meeting packet. The highlight of the month was the blizzard and clean up afterwards. Staff is now dealing with the residual snow melt down from the storm.

Public comments –

Perkins suggests the Village install an electric charging station down at the Marina. He believes Waterwheel Park looks fine, just landscape it and call it done.

Report VSB 2022-71 Water Wheel Park Study

Larrea stated the Village now has a on a timeframe with the state, and a decision will need to be made soon. There are two options:

- Plan A - Restore the waterwheel structure, reroute and fix the stream; estimated costs \$266,340.
- Plan B - Creek restoration and forgo restoring the waterwheel structure is about \$100,000 less; \$169,684. There is a better chance of receiving grant dollars if this option is considered. Committee believes this option may require less maintenance, but suggests cleaning up the culverts and ditching. Larrea believes it would be helpful to create a vegetative flood plain, and install rocks in the meandering stream.

Committee is recommending to Council Plan B – Creek Restoration only.

Report VSB 2022-72 Elm Street Study

Larrea stated the study does not warrant a stop sign at Elm and 4th Street, but that other recommendations were made. Committee discussed adding other signs such as a cross walk sign, or a hawk light. It is believed the school supports a stop sign but does not have crossing guards. Larrea may consult with someone who understands traffic for a

second look at the intersection. There is no data in the study that says the kids are not safe. Committee recommends placing the signs the study recommends and reevaluate later. It was suggested that Deputy John Donohue attend the next meeting and give his perspective on the intersection, and possibly talk with Leelanau County Road Commission for further input.

Public comments

Bill Perkins believes something should be done at the intersection, such as a hawk light. Perkins believes a street light is needed across from the Suttons Bay recycling site on Richter Road.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

Meeting notes submitted by Shar Fay, Clerk.