

MINUTES OF THE SUNSET HILLS

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2008

The City of Sunset Hills Public Works Committee met Tuesday, December 2, 2008 in the Public Works Conference room. The meeting convened at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Alderman Frank Gregory  
Alderman Frank Hardy  
Alderman Thomas Hrastich  
Alderman Stephen Webb

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Copies of the Minutes of the November 4, 2008 meeting were distributed to the members for their review. Alderman Hrastich made a motion to approve the Minutes as submitted. Alderman Webb seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were not any citizen comments.

**CODE COMPLIANCE ORDINANCES: COMMERCIAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE**

The members agreed to the following language of Sec.7-136, item 11 included on Bill #22 as follows: "All equipment located exterior to the building shall be kept in proper condition with respect to the relative codes adopted by St. Louis County and the City of Sunset Hills."

Alderman Gregory made a motion to approve the language listed above on Item 11 of Bill #22. Alderman Webb seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

**DESIGN PROJECT UPDATES:**

A) Tributary B Structure Replacement Phase I

Mrs. Lamitola stated that the Baalbek project is ready to be bid, tentatively in January. Right of way has been acquired.

The right of way plans have been approved for the West Watson Bridge project; however, she is still waiting for the acquisition date to be issued. The first attempt will be a donation request. She explained that the project has to be bid and awarded by September 30, 2008.

B) Mattese Creek Tributary

Mrs. Lamitola stated Sunset Ford has been agreeable with the design so far. There are some conflicting opinions regarding the Helta Basin project; therefore brainstorming is in the works to keep improvements on easements with the exception of one property.

Mrs. Lamitola stated that since there have been design iterations; the design is not as far along as she had hoped. Therefore, some of the funding will need to be spent in 2009 from the original design contract. Alderman Hrastich pointed out that if funds will be deferred to next year, the funds included in the proposed 2009 budget will change. Mrs. Lamitola advised that she will send the revised budget to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for their review.

#### **RFQ: SAPPINGTON BARRACKS ROAD**

Mrs. Lamitola stated she would like to issue RFQ's tomorrow with a submittal deadline at the end of the month. The project should be straight forward, especially if there are road side ditches. She added that she does not think there will be curb and gutters; MSD has not been approving those types of projects due to environmental concerns. The members agreed to interview the three consultants Mrs. Lamitola feels are qualified.

#### **WEST WATSON ROAD AND CULVERT REPLACEMENTS**

It was agreed to issue RFQ to include qualified firms that have experience with applying for Federal STP grants.

#### **ANY OTHER MATTERS DEEMED APPROPRIATE**

##### a) 12871 Weber Hill Road

Mrs. Lamitola stated the property is owner at 12871 Weber Hill Road is further along in the project than when the summary was written. However, the unit wall is up but does not have a cap and is not complete. She reminded the members that the deadline is December 5<sup>th</sup>. It was pointed out that a letter was recently sent to the property owner advising of the final deadline date of December 5<sup>th</sup>. After discussion, it was determined to send a notice of non-compliance to the property owner; the work must be completed, with the exception of vegetation, within 10 days of receipt of the notice. The notice will also refer to Section D of the release and settlement agreement dated January 3, 2008 which formally outlines the procedures.

Alderman Webb made a motion to issue the non-compliance letter as discussed above to the property owner at 12871 Weber Hill Road. Alderman Hrastich seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

##### b) Tapawingo on the Green

Mrs. Lamitola stated that the foundation of homes must be a minimum of 15 feet from the boulder wall. She added that she has been speaking with the builder on Lot 29; the home will be located more than 15 feet from the boulder wall.

##### c) Natural gas

Mrs. Lamitola stated that there is only one fuel station which is in Shrewsbury. It costs around \$10,000 per vehicle to convert to natural gas; it would not apply to diesel trucks. Therefore, a conversion would only be for non-diesel vehicles.

d) Chateau Chura sediment / Sunset Bluffs subdivision

Mrs. Lamitola stated the developer will be returning to court, which will be a trial in January. A letter was sent, however, no action has been taken. She added that one additional storm water discharge can be added as part of the Old Gravois Road improvements and she has spoken with the property owner residing on Chateau Chura.

e) Problem property unit

Mrs. Lamitola stated that St. Louis County is scheduled to attend next week's Board of Aldermen meeting.

f) Richview storm sewer connector

Mrs. Lamitola stated a copy of the letter received from residents has been provided to the members. She added that the project is on the storm water priorities list but is not included in the 2009 budget. Alderman Gregory stated he feels this project should be addressed as soon as possible with Proposition P funds; perhaps this project could be placed in the design phase for 2009. After discussion, it was agreed to further discuss this matter at the next meeting.

g) Waste removal

Mrs. Lamitola stated that the City is slated to receive 300 – 500 64-gallon recycle containers. which would be distributed to residents on a first come, first serve basis. A notice would be placed in the monthly newsletter to inform the residents of the containers.

h) Old Gravois bridge

Mrs. Lamitola stated that an intergovernmental agreement is needed. She added that she has been in contact with the designer. The design speed for the bridge is for 40 mph. Alderman Gregory expressed safety concerns regarding the approach to the bridge on the Sunset Hills side of the bridge.

Mrs. Lamitola commented that there will be no costs to the city for the bridge.

Mrs. Lamitola was requested to write a letter to the City of Fenton expressing safety concerns regarding the radius of the approach to the bridge on the Sunset Hills side of the bridge. Mrs. Lamitola stated she will write the letter and also request a draft of an intergovernmental agreement to be reviewed by Sunset Hills.

Mrs. Lamitola stated that the City Attorney feels the hump bridge and the Baalbek bridge will need to be presented to the Planning and Zoning Commission for approval and to the Board of Aldermen for approval.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Alderman Hardy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m. Alderman Hrastich seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

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Anne C. Lamitola, P.E.  
City Engineer/Director of Public Works