

MINUTES OF THE SUNSET HILLS

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2011

The City of Sunset Hills Public Works Committee met Tuesday, May 10, 2011 in the Public Works Conference room. The meeting convened at 5:45 p.m.

Present:	Alderman Stephen Webb	-Chairman
	Alderman Frank Hardy	-Member
	Alderman Thomas Hrastich	-Member
	Alderman Patricia Fribis	-Member
	Anne Lamitola	-City Engineer/Director of Public Works

It should be noted that Mayor Nolan and Mr. Wes Searcy, Assistant City Engineer, were also present.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Copies of the Minutes of the April 19, 2011 meeting were distributed to the members for their review. Alderman Hardy amended the first paragraph on Page 3 to read: "Mrs. Lamitola stated that she has a letter in the Planning and Zoning file from the builder to former Mayor Hunzeker stating there would be limited access onto Weber Hill Rd. The Planning and Zoning minutes indicate that the right turn only sign is outside of the Weber Hill Road right of way."

Mrs. Lamitola stated that what the meeting minutes were most likely referring to is at that time it was the right of way of Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT). It is still owned by MoDOT, but is maintained by Sunset Hills. Mr. Searcy commented that this situation is similar as to the situation on Robyn Rd. and Maple which are maintained by Sunset Hills but is the right of way of MoDOT.

Alderman Hardy asked why MoDOT right of way would be different than City right of way. Mr. Searcy explained that there are different widths of right of ways and there is a difference in ownerships of the right of way. Mrs. Lamitola added that the City did not maintain that right of way at that time, which is what is being referred to in the Minutes.

Alderman Hardy made a motion to amend the minutes as he proposed, contingent upon verifying this is what is being referred to in the meeting minutes of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

After discussion, it was determined to review the Planning and Zoning Commission Minutes and to approve the Minutes of the April 19, 2011 Public Works Committee meeting at the June meeting.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Mr. Ed Heuman was present. Alderman Webb stated that there was an incident involving Mr. Heuman and Unnerstahl Contracting on Sappington Barracks Road.

Mr. Heuman stated that he was told that if there is a lawsuit pending against the contractor, that payment would be withheld until the lawsuit was settled. Mr. Heuman stated that the insurance company

of Unnerstahl Contracting has offered half of what his vehicle, a 1996 Dodge Dakota pickup truck, is worth and he finds this unacceptable.

Mr. Heuman stated that he has been advised that the incident is a personal matter. However, he feels Sunset Hills should have something to do with the incident. He commented that he is not looking for the City to assist with settling the lawsuit but was counting on the withholding of payment by the City factor. Mr. Heuman stated that he has filed a claim with St. Louis County Small Claims Court.

Mr. Heuman stated that he would like to make a complaint against Unnerstahl Contracting regarding their attitude, workmanship, arrogance, sloppiness, extremely slow work pace and their employees are inconsiderate.

Mr. Heuman stated that he has \$3,544.75 involved in the purchase of his new truck. Small Claims Court allows claims up to \$3,000. He added that he has sent a letter to the contractor's insurance company stating what he would find to be an acceptable settlement.

Alderman Webb stated that he will speak with the City Attorney and then contact Mr. Heuman.

Mr. Heuman left the meeting.

There was general discussion regarding the project including the slow progression, the poor quality of some of the work and miscellaneous issues that have arisen in regards to Unnerstahl Contracting and the Sappington Barracks Rd. project.

TRIBUTARY B PHASE II CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING CONTRACT APPROVAL AND CONSTRUCTION NOTICE OF AWARD

Mrs. Lamitola stated that there is a Resolution on the Agenda for the Board of Aldermen meeting this evening approving an agreement which follows the format of Missouri Department of Transportation that is required when using a consultant for contract administration. The correct amount of the agreement is \$57,926.44.

She reminded the members that EFK Moen was selected at the April 19, 2011 Public Works Committee meeting.

Alderman Fribis made a motion to recommend approval to the Board of Aldermen the agreement for construction engineering for EFK Moen in the amount of \$57,926.44 for Tributary B Phase II. Alderman Hardy seconded motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Alderman Fribis made a motion to recommend approval of the bid submitted by NB West for construction of Tributary B Phase II in the amount of \$924,248.94. Alderman Hardy seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

OCCUPANCY CODE MODIFICATIONS

Mrs. Lamitola reminded the members that this item was discussed at the last meeting. She explained that the proposed addition "Anything relative to the property that exists in violation of any provisions of the building code of the city, the fire prevention code of the city or other ordinances of the city." Is already in the public nuisance code section; therefore this language is desired to be added to Section 7-133.

She commented that she was asked the purpose of the proposed change. She then stated that there are situations that could be addressed during occupancy inspections such as hazard trees, stream buffer issues, land disturbance regulations and flood damage. Mr. Searcy stated that it would also help

when enforcing new codes on older structures such as electrical. Mrs. Lamitola added that the city's code requires one working smoke detector on each level of the home; however, St. Louis County requires one smoke detector for each bedroom.

The existing occupancy code pamphlet was reviewed and it was proposed to draft some revisions to the pamphlet for further discussion at the next meeting.

ACCESS MANAGEMENT/LINDBERGH/WATSON STUDY

A meeting will occur with MoDOT and the City Engineer to better define what involvement each entity will have in studying the subject area.

OTHER MATTERS DEEMED APPROPRIATE

Alderman Hrastich made a motion to approve a reimbursement of \$1,925 toward wire/conduit for Eagle Crest Court due to the work damage and for pictures documenting the work before reimbursement is issued by the City. Alderman Fribis seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Hrastich made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m. Alderman Fribis seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

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