

Present: Manfred Enburg, Mike Duerst, John Senseman, Phil Meinel

Absent: Kirk Trainor and Russ Swiggum

Also Present: John Wright, Clerk-Treasurer

Public Present: Stephen and Andrea Rodriguez Pavao

1. **Call to Order/Approve Agenda** – Chair Enburg called the meeting to order at 7:03 AM. Duerst moved to approve the agenda; 2nd by Senseman. Motion carried.
2. **Approval of May and June Minutes** – Duerst moved to approve the minutes of the May 30, 2017 meeting; 2nd Senseman. Motion carried. Duerst moved to approve the minutes from June 26, 2017; 2nd Senseman. Motion carried.
3. **Discussion of Policy: Town Board Response to Equipment Options, Review of Leasing Information, and Road Construction and Maintenance**

Sloan Implement had prepared a quote for Town Patrolman Mark Judd for the lease of a 130 horsepower tractor. There was a brief discussion of the terms with the possibility to purchase at the end of the lease term. There was additional discussion regarding the possible purchase of a chipper to process branches and logs. Would it be appropriate to process brush that did not fall within Town road rights-of-way? It was noted that municipalities are prohibited for using equipment and human resources for privately contracted work. Chair Enburg suggested compiling a list of local landscaping services that can process woody waste on private property and publishing the results. There was brief discussion regarding the possible addition of a line in the annual Public Works budget for a commercial operation to process brush similar to the allocation for Wolf Tree Service for tree removal.

Chair Enburg reviewed an updated local roads spreadsheet with the group. He referred those in attendance to the far right column which listed the annual funding from the Wisconsin DOT for each road based upon mileage. He then reviewed various means for maintaining/reconstructing roads and their approximate cost per lineal foot. He noted that the more expensive treatments do improve drivability; however, that also promotes greater speeds and ditching issues. Enburg advocated the use of a double chip seal for roads that were not in need of extensive subroad repair. There was brief discussion of using a box grader attachment on a tractor to maintain gravel roads or roads allowed to return to gravel. It was noted if special assessments are used for an upgrade of single-purpose roads beyond gravel, then all of those affected landowners need to be treated equally.

4. **Updates for Road Projects**
 - a. Hillside Heights – It was noted that Andes and the northwest end of Allegheny do not have a proper turnaround. Chair Enburg reported that Kevin Lord of MSA and the property owners would be meeting to discuss the terminal point of both roads and options for turning public works equipment. It was noted that a Quit Claim Deed may needed to codify the ends of these roads. There are three new driveways on Everest that will complicate the pulverize/overlay and matching process.
 - b. Raymond Road – Dane County Highway recommended a slight revision to the wording recommended by the Town Board at the July regular meeting.
 - c. Flint Road – The affected property owners were in attendance and reported on the degradation of the road due to storms and wear they attributed to farm equipment that uses the road to access fields over the past three plus years. Steven Rodriguez Pavao stated he is not opposed to a gravel road, but is concerned that it can be maintained after storms as well as about access and safety. He further reported that the couple is planning to build a new home in about a year to replace the existing log home. Thereafter, they are considering the development of the property as a horse farm. The current zoning is A-2 on a 20 acre parcel. Member Senseman stated that the Town cannot afford to maintain what are essentially private driveways. Andrea Rodriguez Pavao noted that manure spreaders, in her opinion, created the greatest amount of wear. Chair Enburg noted that Flint Road is not part of the 2017 Capital Road Improvement plan and that the 2018 budget is already under way. Member Duerst agreed to speak with Tom

Poast who farms the land about sharing blacktopping costs. Chair Enburg suggested that Town staff research field road access documents for the farm equipment, if any exist. Chair Enburg requested that the FHWA pocket guideline for asphalt road treatments be sent to the members by email; without objection.

- d. Shady Oak Lane – Chair Enburg did not have an update on the chip sealing for this road. Oil has come to the surface that may require sanding. It was noted that no ill effects were noted due to construction traffic at the Woods at Watch Hill development to Shady Oak Lane.
5. **Schedule August 2017 Meeting** -The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, August 21, 2017 at 7:00 AM to accommodate the absence of member Duerst on August 28, 2017.
6. **Adjourn** – Senseman moved to adjourn; 2nd Meinel. Motion carried at 8:10 AM.

Approved: August 21, 2017

Prepared by: John Wright