

Public Works Committee Minutes

Tuesday, February 15, 2022 - 6:30 PM

Town of Verona Hall, 7669 County Highway PD

Present: Phyllis Wiederhoeft - Chair, John Senseman, Mike Duerst, Manfred Enburg

Absent: Russ Swiggum

Also Present: Christopher Barnes - Public Works Director, Mark Judd - Patrolman

Public Present: None

1. **Call to Order/Additions to Agenda/Approve Agenda** - Chair Wiederhoeft called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Wiederhoeft asked for additions and approval of the agenda. Duerst moved to accept the agenda, second by Senseman, motion carried.
2. **Action: Review Minutes of December 21, 2021** - The minutes were reviewed by the committee. Wiederhoeft noted a grammatical correction. Duerst called for a motion to approve the January minutes as corrected, second by Senseman, motion carried.
3. **Discussion and Information: 2022 Brush Collection Program** - Wiederhoeft asked Barnes for any update. Barnes stated that two companies responded with interest in a town program: Pellitteri and Maple Leaf Landscaping. Barnes will set up meeting to see what type of a program each company would propose to perform. Barnes also stated that he had spoken with a representative of Purple Cow Organics and discussed the details of brush collection and processing by Purple Cow. The Purple Cow representative, Jeanne Whitish, stated that she had seen many types of brush programs, and in her experience, towns the size of Verona typically provide a roll-off box for residents to drop off material for processing. Senseman questioned how residents without the means to haul brush could use a drop off. Barnes stated that is perhaps what either of the responding companies could provide. Enburg stated that such a program may appeal mostly to a limited portion of the town that have smaller lots. Wiederhoeft stated that the program was set up by the Town Board to be self-funded so that the costs would be borne only by those that use the program. No further discussion.
4. **Discussion and information: Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District Force Main Replacement Project** - Barnes described the map in the agenda and summarized the 4 routes currently under consideration for a second pipeline from the City of Verona as a relief force main in addition to the existing sewer force main. Wiederhoeft stated that an on-line public meeting was scheduled for the February 23rd for comments. General discussion continued about the need and the purpose for the new force main. Duerst stated that he preferred the southern 2 routes for the line since it would give the town the opportunity to work on replacing the Goose Lake outlet culverts. Barnes stated that route 4 may also provide the opportunity to eliminate two sections of the town sewer system and combine with MMSD.

5. **Discussion and Possible Action: 2022 Sanitary Cleaning proposals** - Wiederhoeft asked Barnes to explain the bid summary for sewer cleaning and stated that each year, the sewer district was scheduled to clean approximately 1/3 of the existing sewer lines. Barnes further stated that this year a portion of the area to be cleaned was under consideration for the MMSD new force main, and if route 4 was selected, there would be no reason to clean the sewer this year. Barnes stated that the bids would now go to the Town Board for acceptance.
6. **Discussion Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Project Funding Possibilities** - Wiederhoeft stated she had learned that the Wisconsin Towns Association was having a webinar to discuss the possibilities of this funding for town roads. Barnes stated that the funds required using the standard federal aid process for design, bidding, and construction and was an 80% federal/20% local match program. Barnes stated that Fitchrona Road and Whalen would be good candidates to investigate for the monies, Enburg stated that perhaps the town should look at White Crossing Road and Riverside Road bridges for replacement. Barnes stated that applications would be due to the WISDOT in June. No further discussion.
7. **Information: Valley Road Bridge Engineering Update** - Wiederhoeft asked for an update. Barnes stated that the environmental documents had been submitted to WISDOT, and the process was on schedule. There was also a possibility that the town had acquired some additional Right of Way in 1974 which may eliminate the need for grading easements.
8. **Information: Stormwater Basin Inventory** - Wiederhoeft asked Barnes to explain the memo contained in the agenda. Barnes stated that the Plan Commission had asked for information on stormwater control basins in the town. The attached map summarizes the location, size, and ownership of the 11 basins in the town. Senseman asked who was responsible for maintenance and repair of the basins. Barnes noted that they were all privately owned except for the town-owned basin at the facility site and the basin on Pleasant View Road at Stony Ridge Circle, which is maintained by the City of Verona.
9. **Development Updates** - Wiederhoeft asked Barnes to summarize the current developments:
 - a. **Sunset Pines CSM (Olson)** - Barnes states this 4 lot CSM was located on Sunset Drive near Deer Haven Trail. Enburg explained the sight distance requirements for driveways. Barnes stated that there would be some minor improvements necessary for the existing driveway, and no new driveways would access Sunset Drive.
 - b. **Dairy Ridge Heights Plat** - Barnes presented the plan in the agenda. Enburg stated that the shared driveways were a good requirement. Senseman asked about the storm basin maintenance responsibility, Barnes replied that the homeowner's association was responsible.

- c. **Sunset Llama Condominium Plat** - Wiederhoeft stated this was the new CSM adjacent to her property. Enburg asked about access to Sunset Drive. Barnes stated that no new access to Sunset is allowed, all access will be through an existing driveway on Sunset and Beach Road.

10. **Equipment Condition Update** - Judd stated that there were no equipment or vehicle issues.

11. **Schedule March 2022 Committee Meeting and Set Agenda** - Next meeting will be March 15, 2022 at 6:30 pm

12. **Adjourn** - Motion by Duerst to adjourn, seconded by Enburg, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.

Approved: March 15, 2022

Prepared by: W. Christopher Barnes