

Public Works Committee Minutes

Tuesday April 25, 2023 - 7:00 AM

Town of Verona Hall, 7669 County Highway PD

Present: Mike Duerst - Chair, Manfred Enburg, Russ Swiggum, Brett Lindell, John Senseman

Absent: None

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

Public Present: Bernie Coughlin, Nathan Lockwood, Rick Olstad

1. **Call to Order/Additions to Agenda/Approve Agenda** - Chair Duerst called the meeting to order at 7:00 AM. Duerst asked for additions and approval of the agenda. Enburg moved to accept the agenda, seconded by Swiggum, motion carried.
2. **Action: Review Minutes of March 21, 2023** - The minutes were reviewed by the committee. Lindell moved to approve the March minutes as submitted, second by Enburg, motion carried.
3. **Discussion and Possible Action: Driveway Permit 7734 Dairy Ridge Road** – Barnes explained that the introduced Nathan Lockwood of DOK Engineers and the permit is to reconstruct an existing residential driveway. Lockwood explained that the driveway is currently gravel and will be paved with asphalt. Senseman asked why this action comes to the committee, and Barnes explained because it is not in a platted subdivision, therefore, the committee has the approval authority. Discussion followed. Motion to approve by Lindell, second by Senseman, Motion carried.
4. **Discussion and Possible Action: Driveway Permit: 7562 County Highway PD** -- Barnes explained that this driveway is similar to the previous driveway permit. Lockwood explained that it was the same type of improvement and the gravel driveway would be paved with asphalt. Motion to approve by Senseman, second by Swiggum, motion carried.
5. **Discussion and Possible Action: Driveway Permit: Lot 2 CSM 15184 Cross Country Road (phase 2)** Barnes explained that this driveway is for the remainder of the driveway to access the new house construction. As a reminder, in 2022, the committee approved the new shared entrance with 6861 Cross Country Road, and this current application will use that access point. Barnes mentioned that the owner Rick Olstad was at the meeting for any questions. Verona Fire Department reviewed the driveway plan and approved with minor comments. Swiggum mentioned that the other driveway at 6861 Cross Country Road had until 2024 to be removed. Discussion followed. Motion to approve by Swiggum, second by Enburg, Motion carried.
6. **Discussion and Possible Action: Driveway Access Permit: Country View Road Relocation** -- Barnes discussed the background of the Country View Road relocation, as it is the intent of the City of Verona to relocate the northern section of Country View Road to a new intersection with the widened County Highway PD and install a traffic signal. The new section of Country View Road will connect to a new Epic parking lot currently under construction. Barnes explained that the new section of Country View Road is designed as a 4-lane boulevard section with a connection back into the existing Country View Road about 1000' south of the current Country View Road/County Highway PD intersection. Duerst asked about the timeline to relocate all of County View Road all the way south. The new road relocation is situated entirely on property owned by Epic and is in the City of Verona. The connection point requires a permit to connect to the Town portion of County View Road. Duerst asked about the future extension of Country View Road to the south.

Lockwood explained that future routing would follow the land contours to the south and reconnect into County View Road further south by Milky Way. Discussion followed. Enburg asked about the future connection to Dairy Ridge Road and a new interchange on 18/151. Lockwood explained that no details were finalized yet. Barnes stated there were several conditions for a permit, namely insurance from the contractor, and acknowledgment that the existing Country View Road right-of-way shall remain with the Town. Enburg asked about requiring the utilities to relocate. Enburg stated that the utilities should be required to move to the new road right of way. Barnes stated that this would remain a future issue to resolve. Discussion followed. Duerst stated that he would still like to have some funds reimbursed to the Town for repaving done in 2021. Senseman and Enburg stated that he considered the past project to be a dead issue. Duerst called for a motion. Motion by Swiggum, second by Senseman motion carried.

7. **Information: Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District Projects Update** -- Barnes stated that the project was about ready for bidding and that he was still working with the Wisconsin DNR to secure consent for an easement on the property at the end of Pheasant Lane. The MMSD is still working with Dane County to obtain easements on county property and DNR wetlands permits. Swiggum asked about the final sewer pipe routing. Discussion followed. Construction is planned to begin in Fall 2023.
8. **Discussion: Country View Road and County Highway PD widening/relocation** -- Barnes stated that work was continuing on the County Highway PD widening from Shady Oak Lane to the west to Country View Road. Current work is on utility installations and storm water pond construction. Senseman asked about a completion date. Barnes stated it was currently planned for June 2024.
9. **Development Updates** -- Barnes had no update on the Marty Farm development (Arden Glen). Swiggum asked about an update on the Fitchrona Road project. Barnes explained that the City of Fitchburg has engaged AECOM Engineering to do the design for reconstruction from the Nesbitt Road roundabout to Tonto Trail. Barnes stated that no details were known at this point since the survey work is still underway. The original plan was to install a bike trail under the US 18/151 bridge to connect Lacy Road to Nesbitt Road. Barnes stated that he anticipated a \$350,000 commitment towards the project. Discussion followed. Barnes stated that there are various ways to determine the split between the two road jurisdictions. Senseman questioned how the town share was developed and when the money would be due to the city. Barnes had estimated the Town share as basically one year of capital improvement funding.
10. **Equipment Condition Update** Judd stated that the new truck has been ordered. No delivery date was known yet. No other issues
11. **Schedule next Committee Meeting and set agenda items:** The May meeting was set for May 16, 2023 at 7:00 AM.
12. **Adjourn** - Motion by Swiggum, second by Enburg to adjourn at 8:12 AM.

Approved: June 20, 2023

Prepared By: W. Christopher Barnes