

Public Works Committee Minutes

Tuesday July 18, 2023 - 7:00 AM

Town of Verona Hall, 7669 County Highway PD

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

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 Duerst called the meeting to order at 7:00 AM. Duerst asked for additions and approval of the agenda. Sensemen moved to accept the agenda, seconded by Lindell, motion carried.
2. **Action: Review Minutes of June 20, 2023** - The minutes were reviewed by the committee. Lindell moved to approve the April minutes as submitted, second by Senseman, motion carried.
3. **Discussion and Possible Action:** Trash and Recycling contract-Pellitteri Waste Systems-Duerst opened the discussion and Barnes distributed the submitted proposal by Pellitteri. Barnes showed a graph that showed the consumer price index vs the propose 10-year cost by Pellitteri. Discussion followed reviewing the annual costs. Senseman made motion to recommend to the board to approve the contract with Pellitteri. Second by Lindell, motion carried.
4. **Discussion and Possible Action:** Midtown Road Speed and Traffic Analysis- Duerst explained that the Town received an email from a resident on Mid Town road. Barnes explained that the resident lives in the town of Middleton and is concerned about high speeds on Mid -Town Road. Barnes showed the traffic counts from 2022 of 2600 vehicles per day. Senseman mentioned that the current Arden Glen development will have a major impact on the traffic on Mid Town Road and Shady Oak Lane and anything done today will likely change in the future. Discussion followed. Duerst stated that at one point there was interest in making Shady Oak Lane a "Rustic Road" but the effort was unsuccessful. Lindell questioned if EPIC would contribute any money towards reconstruction of Mid-Town or Shady Oak Lane. Duerst mentioned that an effort in the past to get some contribution towards Country view Road was unsuccessful. Duerst mentioned that installing radar feedback signs maybe a good option. No action taken.
5. **Information: Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District Projects Update-** Pump Station 17 and Force Relief Sewer bid opening is set for August 10, 2023 with about 3 contractors are interested. A meeting for the Lower Badger Mill Public Meeting is scheduled for July 28, 2023 at the town community room. Duerst asked about the MMSD force main activity and Barnes stated that the plan is for MMSD to put a stakeholder's group together to look at methods to mitigate the loss of the base flow from Badger Mill creek. Duerst asked about any update on Goose Lake water levels. Barnes stated that he and the City of Fitchburg were still working on design engineering proposals.
6. **Information: Country View Road and County Highway PD widening/relocation-** Barnes stated that work had began on the widening from the town office driveway to east of the new Country view road

intersection. Senseman asked when the road construction would be complete and Barnes stated that the widening is planned to be opened late this fall.

7. **Information: 2023 Road Projects Update-** Barnes stated the road work is on schedule for chip seal during the last week of July. After chip sealing the stripping and new road signs to be installed. Barnes stated that the project should be finished on time and budget. Barnes also mentioned that Madison Gas and Electric has planned to install a 6" diameter gas transmission line on the north side of Whalen Road. MGE has agreed to re-chipseal the whole road from the City of Verona to Fitchrona Road next year to mitigate any damage.
8. **Information: Valley Road Bridge Update-**Barnes stated the bridge is on track to be open to traffic in the third week of August. Barnes state that he received a complaint about cars parking on Riverside Road for canoeing. Duerst mentioned that he had spoken with some of the vehicle owners to park off the pavement.
9. **Development Updates-** Barnes stated the plan commission has requested that the developer of the Sugar River Road development prepare a traffic impact analysis for the development MSA engineers will do the analysis and it will be paid for by the developer. Barnes stated the study will set forth some recommendations for the roads in the area of the development. Duerst asked about the sight distance for intersections on Sugar River Road. Barnes state that the traffic study will have locations where potential road connections can be made.

Senseman asked about the paving of the Watch Hill subdivision. Barnes stated that the private road paving was complete and the town had completed the culvert repairs and paving in the public right of way and had used the developers escrow funds to pay for it. Senseman asked if the private road could ever become a public road and Barnes replied that due to the condominium platting of the development, it would be extremely unlikely.

10. **Equipment Condition Update-** Judd stated the new truck was scheduled to be delivered to the Middleton Road I the next week. The new equipment installation is scheduled at Madison Truck in September. No other issues.
11. **Schedule next Committee Meeting and set agenda items:** The August meeting was left up to Barnes to decide if it was needed. If so, it was set for August 22, 2023 at 7:00 AM.
12. **Adjourn** - Motion by Lindell, second by Sensemen to adjourn at 8:45 AM.

Approved: September 19, 2023

Prepared By: W. Christopher Barnes