

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMITTEE MINUTES

August 18, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Fogt at 5:00 p.m.

Members Present: Dan Fogt, Tracy Richardson

Others Present: Terry Emery, Tim Aslaner, Mike Andrako, Jeremy Hoyt

Approval of Minutes: The minutes for the meeting on June 16, 2014 were not approved because the committee needed more time to review them. Mrs. Richardson brought up a change that needed made which was the correction to the spelling of her name on page 2, last paragraph.

Agenda:

Street Paving Update: Mr. Hoyt reported the following:

-Lewis Parking Lot was completed on Thursday

-East Fifth Street turn lanes at Coleman's Crossing and Charles Lane are expected to start this week; so it should wrap up by the end of next week. Mrs. Richardson asked if that is going to close traffic or shut down traffic? Mr. Hoyt responded that no, it is a turn lane they should be able to cone that lane off on one side. Mrs. Richardson asked what date is that? Mr. Hoyt stated he can get more details but it will be weather depending.

-Decker Fire Station Parking Expansion is currently under construction

- Jim Simmons Trail Paving is on going and should be wrapped up today or tomorrow. Mrs. Richardson stated that the trail seemed to be open, because she has gotten responses from residents that they are happy with it.

-Sidewalks on 9th Street which is the CDBG portion of that, we have confirmed all the sidewalks in. Some of the restoration on the sides, topsoil need completed and the grass needs planted.

Mr. Fogt asked about the dog park since it was just approved through council, is that paving still going to be included in this summers paving program? Mr. Andrako stated he did not think so after visiting nine different dog parks. He found that his favorite dog park was right outside of Hilliard. He has been working with Columbus on obtaining the plans and try to emulate it on our sight. After seeing how many dogs and parking spaces that were used, he thinks we should be able to use a part of the MOC parking lot that is already there. No parking lot will be needed, just use the funds that were appropriated for the parking lot to put in the fence and to do the grading. There will be a trail that circulates through the park. Mr. Emery stated that the path in the park for the residents to

use will be paved.

Mr. Fogt asked will this interfere with the leaf collection, the area behind MOC? Mr. Andrako stated no, all the parking spots are on the end of the existing parking lot. The next step would be to bush hog the whole area and figure out what trees that can be saved . Next step is to figure out how it is going to be graded to add some contours to the land. We will look to have the fence installed sometime this fall and rough in a trail. The trail will be paved in the spring.

Mr. Fogt stated that you could gravel the path for now. Mr. Andrako stated that we have to see how quick we can get the grass to establish. He sees it opening up late spring/early summer.

Mrs. Richardson questioned, do you think it will come in under the \$85,000.00 projected budget? Mr. Andrako stated possibly, we are also looking at trying to get donations, and what the total cost is going to be. The total cost of the Hilliard Park was \$210,000.00. We just need to do what we can in house.

Mrs. Richardson asked, are going to Parks and Rec. with the items we are discussing? Mr. Andrako stated that yes, there is a Parks and Rec. meeting coming up and he will give them and update.

Progress on Demolition of Burned Houses: Mr. Aslaner reported that the Fuller houses , one on 5th Street, and the other on 8th Street, are still scheduled to come down by the end of the month. Sergeant Enterprises is the company that is contracted with Fuller to do the demolition. They have gotten the 5th Street analysis back and it showed that there was no asbestos. They are still waiting for the 8th Street analysis, which should be back any day. Once both reports are back, the company will meet with Mr. Fuller and Mr. DeLong, and discuss the specifics of the demolition to get it completed. If the report comes back positive for asbestos then there is a waiting period for demolition. If it comes back negative for asbestos there is no wait period. Sergeant Enterprises stated they should still have the houses down by the end of the month.

Mr. Fogt thanked Mr. Aslaner for keeping on top of it; he feels that it is a health hazard and a rodent hazard. Construction has stopped on the fire damaged house on Court Street. Mr. Aslaner stated that he has spoken with Mary Sampsel and Mr. DeLong regarding this property. The homeowners had to resubmit the plans for the rebuild. They also hired another engineer at the suggestion of the Building Department. The boards are up just to keep people out: it is not part of the remodel process. According to the County, they are passing all of their inspections. The cost of rebuild has increased due to the new plans that they submitted for approval. The rebuilding on the house will start this week.

Mr. Fogt stated that he has been in contact with Derek Hutchinson about a house on London Avenue that is not burned down but, is falling down. Mr. Emery asked where the home is located? Mr. Fogt said it is across from the heart center on London Avenue right beside the entrance to the apartment complex. The front door is open, the spouting is

falling down, and there is a dumpster in the drive way. Mr. Emery asked if Mr. Fogt spoke with Mr. Hutchinson? Mr. Fogt replied that Mr. Hutchinson stated that the City has been mowing the lawn and that the bank does not even want the property. That house needs to be watched and pressed for Sheriff's sale as soon as possible.

US 33 Pedestrian Bridge: Mr. Hoyt reported that the shared use path construction continues on connection from Amrine-Mill Rd. to the southern side of the bridge. Due to fabrication, the bridge beams and other steel items are anticipated to arrive to the site by the beginning of October. Upon receipt of the steel, the installation and placement of the bridge should take an additional month to complete. The contractual date for final completion is October 31, 2014.

Mr. Fogt stated that they put a pedestrian bridge across US 23 near Menards. Mr. Hoyt stated that the benefit of ours versus theirs is ours was already where a bridge was. Mr. Fogt stated ours will have a roof on it. Mr. Emery stated that it will look like a covered bridge. Mr. Fogt questioned if that is going to be fabricated before it gets here? Mr. Hoyt replied yes, ODOT is allowing the contractor to close 33 from midnight to 4:00 a.m. for 10 to 15 minutes at a time.

Mr. Andrako commented that he passed along Mrs. Richardson's suggestion about the Honda shift change times. Mrs. Richardson asked Mr. Hoyt to clarify for her, she had the original diagram, showing beams so it has a roof, right? Mr. Hoyt stated there is nothing in between the beams, they are just open, it gives the look of having a roof. Mrs. Richardson stated so you could walk across it and rain and snow will fall through. Mr. Hoyt replied yes, and Joe Tracey is already looking at how to do snow removal.

Mrs. Richardson asked how much it would cost the contractors, if the bridge is not completed on time? Mr. Hoyt replied it is a \$1,000.00 substantial completion and \$100.00 per each calendar day they do not reach final completion.

Partners Park Project Update: Mr. Hoyt stated right now they are working on a signage package for Mr. Emery and Mayor Gore review. They are looking at a plaque that lists all the partners that have been involved. This would be hung from the side of the bathrooms.

Our crews are working on filling up the 222 South Main Street property, so we can put a parking lot in there. The gazebo was installed on August 14, 2014, the roof looks like it is 90% complete. The splash pad jets have been placed to match the Honda Marysville logo, so if you look at it you can see the smiley face, and those are the little tables that are west from the restroom. The sponge pad that soaks up the water, still needs to be placed. We are working with Honda Marysville on the color for the sponge pad; our contractor has given us a couple to choose from.

We are also working with the library on a sidewalk connection. We are looking at a couple different options. The option that we will probably go with is the brick that separates them on the north side (the library has a brick wall that goes around their

mechanical units,). We would cut a whole sidewalk width and put in stairs and a railing so they can go to the library without crossing the former alley traffic. We also received a quote for a long ramp, which was substantially higher. We have let the library know we have x in our budget, if the library wants the ramp then they will have to pay the difference.

Mr. Fogt asked about wheelchair access. Mr. Hoyt answered he has talked with Mary Sampsel with the building department. Wheelchair access is required for the library and for Partners Park but not necessarily the combination of the two. Both parking lots for Partners Park should be completed by the end of October.

Mrs. Richardson asked do we have a date that we are looking at? We have the stone that might be dedicated. Are we thinking next spring we formally dedicate it? Mr. Emery stated that the stone is probably going to be placed out there in the next couple weeks covered. We are not going to uncover it until every thing is in order. It would be nice if we could utilize the pavilion during the holidays for some of the uptown events, and we probably will not do the formal dedication until next spring. There is a good chance that we will try to schedule the dedication for the first Uptown Friday Nights event, and have the dedication on that day beginning the uptown event at noon with live entertainment during the day; almost make it a festive event during the course of the day. The City is going to get with all the partners and make sure they are comfortable being a part of such an event. We would love to have the opportunity to show our appreciation to all the partners.

Mr. Hoyt stated that the splash park operates similar to the pool. Mr. Fogt asked if the seeding is going to be done by Scotts? Mr. Hoyt stated yes, they are going to seed it. They will be bringing in some dirt from the Raymond Road reservoir site and they will be able to mix that and cut it in some compost from the City.

Right-of-Way Compliance: Mr. Emery stated this item came from a conversation with Mr. Fogt about some of our utilities companies that he has seen are hazards in some areas. They come in and done some utility work and taken a long time to finish repair.

Mr. Hoyt stated that he can give an update regarding some of these. Second and Main, Columbia Gas received a complaint of gas coming from a storm sewer. They have put a couple repairs on that gas line which is on top of our storm sewer. They are going to relocate that gas line five feet to the west. Columbia Gas has asked us to repair the storm sewer, so it is fixed to City standards and send them an invoice. Columbia Gas will then bring in the asphalt and gravel. They are thinking they could relocate their gas line this week or next week.

Mr. Fogt stated that it has been three weeks already, so it will be another month? Mr. Andrako stated that there are several parts to this repair so it will take longer. If it was a simple repair then they would have fixed it and moved on. It is going to take longer for the relocation of the gas line. Mr. Hoyt stated that the Right-of-Way ordinance that was passed gives some strength in regards to the problems with utility companies, since now

they have to file permits.

Mr. Fogt stated that there is an electric pole that is damaged. Mr. Andrako stated they have checked into that and it was owned by CenturyLink. CenturyLink stated that the damage was minimal and it was not a concern for replacement.

Mrs. Richardson stated what she is hearing is that the Right-of-Way Ordinance has enough power that they do not need to amend it or change it. Mr. Andrako replied that he thinks it does for the most part.

Mr. Emery stated just as a reminder, a week from today (August 25, 2014) at 1:00pm, we are going to have some cake and refreshments for Rob's last day. You can stop by anytime and see him and wish him luck.

Adjournment: Mr. Fogt adjourned the meeting at 5:40pm.