

**Public Service Meeting Minutes**  
**April 20, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Richardson at 5:05pm.

**Members Present:** Dan Fogt, Tracy Richardson, Mark Reams

**Others Present:** Jeremy Hoyt, Marc Dilsaver, Terry Emery

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes for the March 16, 2015 meeting were approved. The minutes for the February 17, 2015 meeting were approved.

**AGENDA ITEMS:**

**Review Paving Program and Recommended Streets to be paved:** Mr. Emery said what the Committee will see is an increase in the paving program funds of \$500,000. He said Mr. Hoyt will be going through the streets where the additional funds will be used. Mr. Emery added that this will be on the agenda for City Council. Mrs. Richardson added that item is on the agenda for this week.

Mr. Hoyt passed out the map and spreadsheet (see attached) for the Committee to review. Mr. Hoyt said the red portion is what is included in the current budget of \$400,000; the yellow portion is what is included in the first additional \$250,000; the green portion is what the second additional \$250,000 will cover. Mr. Hoyt said if bids come back favorable we might be able to add a couple more streets, which could include Emmaus as Mr. Reams suggested.

Mr. Hoyt asked the Committee if there were any streets they thought needed moved up the list. Mr. Reams said the only street he has received complaints about is North Main. Mr. Hoyt said that is an ODOT project and ODOT is in the process of replacing that bridge. He said we do not want to pave everything then have a bridge contractor come in and tear it all up. Mr. Hoyt said Mr. Andrako and Mr. Tracey are looking at doing some spot repairs, which will work better than a cold patch. He said that between Elwood and the treatment plant there is definitely some areas of concern.

Mr. Fogt said he feels that **South Main Street** needs looked at, at least for a good patch job. Mr. Emery asked where on **South Main Street**, because **from** Seventh to Sixth Street is going to be covered in the project. Mr. Fogt said from **South Main Street** to the hospital stop light, in the middle of the road the pavement is separating.

Mrs. Richardson asked if they have taken a look at Creekview Drive especially in the north section. She said for the age of the area, she is stunned on how horrible the road is there. Mr. Hoyt said Mr. Dilsaver pointed out that it is really good other than where the seams are a two foot section that you have to cover for a long distance. Mr. Hoyt said that is something that we have thought about putting in an alternative bid. Mr. Hoyt said the whole road does not need paved, just a couple seams on each side. Mrs. Richardson asked

if we are talking about the street line closest to Creekview? Mr. Dilsaver said from 31 all the way to Belmont Drive, where it widens out, there are two to three seams that are separating. He said the best thing to do for that area is mill patches down, which should hold it together for quite a while.

Mrs. Richardson would like to understand how the money is being allocated. She said the first section, which was for the original \$400,000, and includes Milford Avenue, is using the OPWC funds, right? Mr. Hoyt said yes. She asked so some portion of the \$400,000 is the Milford Avenue project, right? Mr. Hoyt said yes, he thought it was around \$305,000. Mrs. Richardson said she remembers seeing that in the budget. Mr. Hoyt said we are getting a 50% match on that project essentially. Mr. Hoyt said Locust Street and Main Street make up the difference from the match.

Mrs. Richardson asked regarding the first additional \$250,000, what steps did we take to prioritize the roads to see which were the most compelling. Mr. Hoyt said it is based on the pavement condition rating (PCR), and Mr. Emery added how much each street is traveled. Mr. Hoyt said we try get some roads in the subdivisions so we are not doing a whole subdivision at once. Mrs. Richardson brought up roads in Timber Trails that will be paved. Mr. Hoyt said he does not think we have paved any of those roads for a while. Mrs. Richardson said there is also the Quail Hollow area, and Meadows Drive and Mill Park are listed. Mr. Emery said the most important factor is the pavement rating. He said the second most important factor is how much the street is traveled, and the third factor is that we are trying to spread these funds out so anybody in any area of our City will see a little bit of work. Mr. Emery asked Mr. Dilsaver if he was right about those factors. Mr. Dilsaver said Mr. Emery was absolutely right, and the Committee will see towards the bottom of the list of roads to be paved with the additional funds that we received, they are in bad shape and definitely need work, but they are the least traveled compared to the other streets.

Mrs. Richardson asked when Green Pastures was built. Mr. Hoyt said from what he found, the closer section near Collins Avenue was in the mid-1990's. He said they built a lot of houses quickly like in Mill Valley. Wilderness Drive area was built in the mid-2000's. Mr. Reams said most of the roads except for Wilderness are 18, 19, 20 years old. Mr. Emery said where he lives he thinks the roads are pushing 22 years. Mr. Reams said for some reason some roads do not make it 25 years.

Mrs. Richardson asked how old Millwood Blvd in Mill Valley is. Mr. Hoyt said it would be a guess, but he is thinking late 1990's to early 2000's. Mr. Reams said it would be about 17 years old.

Mr. Fogt said he would like to bring up W. Fifth Street from the swimming pool stop light to the west. He said there are some holes that he dodges every time he goes out that way. Mr. Fogt said he is not going to say that the whole road needs repaired but there are a couple spots that need to be patched. Mr. Hoyt said spot repairs can be done in house.

**270/33 Interchange:** Mr. Emery said if people have questions about the 270/33 interchange the ODOT website is excellent. If you go on the ODOT website and go to District 6, they have the list of projects and you can click on those projects and get the most recent update from week to week. He said viewing the website is the best way to stay updated. Mr. Hoyt said if you type in Google “270 33 interchange” it will take you directly to that website.

**Crosswalk in front of City Hall:** Mr. Hoyt said we are hoping to place a temporary strip down until after the street is paved and then go back and re-strip it. He said they were working to put up the rapid flash beacons, which Mr. Emery added are working now. Mr. Hoyt said the setup will be similar to the setup at Vine Street. Mr. Fogt said there is a lip there. Mr. Hoyt said that is one of the primary reasons for the paving other than it was not in the best condition. Mrs. Richardson said she looks forward to seeing it. Mr. Emery said he has noticed vehicles stopping for pedestrians, but would not suggest anyone just walk when the lights come on. Make sure to make eye contact with the driver before crossing out into the street.

**Update on Dog Park:** Mrs. Richardson said there is a lot of excitement for the dog park. She said she was out running the trail the other day and stopped everyone who had a dog and let them know we are getting a dog park. Mr. Emery said the one thing we need to make sure is that the grass is really well established before we let dogs into the dog park. He said we are anticipating somewhere around July 1<sup>st</sup> to open the dog park. Mr. Hoyt said if it gets to July 1<sup>st</sup> and we think we need a couple more weeks for the grass, we will take it. The asphalt path that goes through the park is coming in mid-May and the fence is going to start being installed toward the end of the week. He said most of that work should be done by the end of May. Mrs. Richardson asked if we are close to the original set of plans. Mr. Hoyt answered yes. She asked for a copy of the original plans. Mr. Hoyt said he would get them to her and may have them put on the website.

**Update on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Street Waterline Project:** Mr. Hoyt gave the Committee a copy of the fact sheet for the project. He said that there is about 2 miles of water line going in with this project. He said they are planning on starting construction in May and will finish in October. Mr. Emery suggested leaving this on the agenda and Mayor Gore will update everyone during his report at City Council.

**General Updates from Public Service Department:** Mr. Emery asked Mr. Hoyt to discuss the two railroad crossings. Mr. Emery said Mayor Gore is going to report to Council on Thursday about one of them. Mr. Hoyt said regarding the railroad crossing on Raymond Road right before 33, he met with CSX and that crossing will be replaced by a signal with an arm in about 14 months, at no cost to the City. He said with the Industrial Parkway crossing, we had the same meeting last year. Mr. Hoyt thinks that the signal on Industrial Parkway will be in by September, but he has asked for an update. They did not have a schedule, but any work they will do will be off the road and anything that needs done will be buried under the railroad tracks. Mr. Hoyt said there should be no impact to traffic until the arms go up.

Mrs. Richardson asked if there were any more updates on Partners Park. Mr. Emery said you will see sod going down in all the street lawn areas and the areas between the parking lots in the next week to ten days. Mr. Emery said Scotts is still interested in working the green space through their process. He said we installed some drainage because they were concerned with the way it was draining. He said at the end of the day we are hoping that the green space is ready by May 29<sup>th</sup>. He said if it is not ready, we are coming up with a backup plan on how to still hold the events there. Mr. Hoyt said Scotts thinks they can have the grass looking green by May, but ready for foot traffic in July. Mrs. Richardson asked if we are going to have anything near the splash pad to keep children from running in the street. Mr. Emery said we have a couple of benches for parents to sit, and during the busy time and our first event we will have a staff person there monitoring the activity.

Mrs. Richardson asked when we can expect the work completed on US 36. Mr. Hoyt said he has an email out to ODOT.

Mr. Hoyt said the Amrine Mill Road project will be put out for bid next week.

**COMMENTS OF CITIZENS:** None.

**COMMENTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 5:58pm