

Public Service Meeting Minutes
July 20, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Rausch at 5:00pm.

Members Present: J.R. Rausch, Mark Reams

Others Present: Mayor Gore, Mike Andrako, Tim Aslaner, Brodie Rockenbaugh, Taylor Evans with Journal Tribune

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes for the May 18, 2015 meeting were approved.

AGENDA ITEMS:

COMMENTS OF CITIZENS:

2016 OPWC REQUEST- INDUSTRIAL PARKWAY, PHASE 1: Mr. Hoyt explained to the Committee the following information regarding the 2016 OPWC request.

- Asphalt from Dunham to Suntra Way (~\$900k, City: \$450k, OPWC: \$450k) - 11,500 LF of asphalt repaving
- The "Industrial Parkway Roadway Improvements, Phase 1" project will build up the shoulder, apply berming (which addresses a safety issue for motorists) and provide an additional two (2) inches of asphalt to increase the structural integrity for this roadway.
- It is our current intent for the City to pursue OPWC funds for "Phase 2" - Suntra to the corporation limits and Scottslawn east towards the Scotts Corporate entrance

The Committee told Mr. Hoyt to submit the request for Industrial Parkway.

MOSQUITO CONTROL: Mr. Andrako explained to the committee that Mrs. Richardson had requested this item be added to the agenda. She wanted him to discuss what the City is doing for mosquito control. He said the City is not going to be spraying the streets. Cities and Communities that do spray the streets, the spraying is done by the health departments. Mr. Andrako said the City is doing its parks and the Jim Simmons Trail, but anything above and beyond that they would look to the health department to help. Mayor Gore stated that he has yet to have a mosquito bite this year.

Mr. Rockenbaugh said the City first had to discovery the need for the spray and the thresh hold level. He went out and stood in the parks and on the trail to see how many times he would be bit. He noticed after the rains he would be bit more frequently. He had visitors on the trail ask him what could be done about the mosquitos, so the City initiated spraying in early June. Mr. Rockenbaugh said the City sprays once a week starting at 10:00 p.m. He said the day that they are going to spray they put up signs in the parks and on the trail letting visitors know. It usually takes four hours to spray. They spray the

whole Jim Simmons Trail, all the open fields, McCarthy Park, Eljer Park, Aldersgate Parks, Greenwood Park and Legion Park. We have been very successful with our gator sprayer. We also use a ULV sprayer which puts out a mist of the chemicals we are using. The chemicals that we are using focus on feeding mosquitos that come out at night.

Mr. Reams asked if we do the spraying at 10:00 a.m. or 10:00 p.m.? Mr. Rockenbaugh answered that it starts at 10:00 p.m. and usually ends at 2:00 a.m. Mr. Andrako said we are doing the spraying at this time because there is no one using the parks or the trail at this time.

Mr. Rockenbaugh said we use about 7 gallons of this rtu (ready to use) product, there is no mixing and the machine was calibrated by the company this spring.

Mr. Rausch said he was at the pool for a party the night before the day at the park and the mosquitos were bad. Would they migrate to get away from the chemicals or once they get fog they are dead? Mr. Rockenbaugh said the chemicals look like a dense fog and the particles just lay there. It smells like petroleum. He went and observed them spraying, so if anyone had any questions, he could answer them. Mr. Rockenbaugh said they are moving around and there is a lot of places that they cannot reach with the sprayer.

Mr. Andrako said we wanted to get the word out that we are doing something to try and make our parks comfortable. As far as spraying the roadways, that would not be something that we would be able to do. Mr. Rockenbaugh said if anyone is worried about west nile virus or things like that, then they should limit their exposure to the parks and trail during the day because that is when they are actively feeding. Mr. Reams said he noticed when he is running the trail they do not seem to bother him, but if he stops they are bad.

GENERAL UPDATES FROM PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENT: Mayor Gore said some of you have notice that at the Uptown Friday Nights, we are getting more pet dogs then service dogs attending. He said at times it was very intense at some points with dogs growling at each other. Owners pulling them back and keeping them apart. We talked earlier about not wanting kids in the dog park. That is Mayor Gore's biggest fear is in the pavilion a dog will get loose a kid will scare it and get bit. Mayor Gore had a meeting with Mr. Andrako, Ms. Michalak, Mrs. Krutowskis, Mr. Aslaner and Chief Golden about this topic. He was informed that we have an ordinance that states cats or dogs are allowed in the park unless marked otherwise. He said this coming uptown Friday night we are going to post signs that state no pets. Mayor Gore asked Mr. Rausch to take this back to the President of Council to send this topic to a committee to be looked at. He said we will have a dog park for them to let resident's pets run.

Mr. Reams asked about the Humane Society bringing adoptable dogs to the event. Mayor Gore said he did not think they have this year, but they would still be in the same position that the animals would not be welcome. Mr. Rausch suggested if they are going to come, we set up a little pen for them. Mayor Gore said that the FFA is going to have an event at the August Farmer's Market, but they will be on the corner and not in the pavilion. He suggested maybe authorizing permits for animals at special events. Mr. Aslaner said there

is already ordinance stating that if you want to bring large animals you need to get permission from the Public Service Director.

Mr. Hoyt and Mr. Andrako received some good news that we will receive from ODOT small cities grant program that we will receive \$1,645,875.00 on the widening of Route 31. Mayor Gore said it will cost the City almost \$80,000 to go with the money received from the grant. We will have to do the design, however, this includes the storm sewer installation, signage, street lighting and sidewalks. This will be just south of Millwood Road to just south of Millwood Blvd. They are projecting the project will not get started until 2018 but we have to begin the process now. Mayor Gore said it will be a safer way from Mill Valley to Marysville schools, because the City will be taking care of it.

Mr. Andrako said ODOT is planning a project that will involve the eastbound lanes of US 33 from West Fifth to Millcreek bridge. It will close the lanes there and the ramps at West Fifth. This will take place on July 24, 2015. The information on the times will be handed out once Mr. Andrako receives it.

Mr. Hoyt said the paving and maintenance program the company will be starting Meadows Drive here soon and it should be completed by August 12 to make sure it is done prior to school starting. There is a detailed fact sheet on this project listing the streets that will be paved.

Mr. Hoyt said with regards to the Amrine Mill Storm water project culvert replacement has been delayed due to the rain, but we have been assured that any roadway improvements will be done prior to school starting. He informed the Committee that there would be some work still to be completed when school starts but it will not affect traffic.

Mr. Hoyt gave an update on the Fourth and Fifth Street waterline project. He stated they are situated between Fifth Street and Court Street currently. We did have to add waterline replacement from Third to Fifth Street. When we were connecting the new waterlines to the old ones, we tore them up. Mayor Gore asked what percentage of the work is done. Mr. Hoyt said he would say around 50%.

COMMENTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 5:33pm