

Village of Spring Valley  
Minutes for  
Public Works Committee  
July 9, 2024

Call to Order: P. Koch called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. at the Village Hall.

Members Present: P. Koch, Huepfel, O'Connell

Members absent:

Others present: PW Supervisor Kirby, Administrator Emerson

Approval of Agenda: Motion (Huepfel/O'Connell) to approve agenda. Carried

1. Trout pond: Shafer family met with Casey from DNR back in April and this is what was reported back: there are no problems with size or flow. Weed build-up reduces space to less than ½ due to algae. This also brings fish to the surface which makes them in sight of eagles. Fountain needs to be upsized. Could be improved in the future with chemical treatment. Fair amount of erosion since this spring where muck is coming from – north side – potassium and nitrogen runoff. Should be treated every 2 weeks as needed. Discussion by committee: Tom Shafer would help with chemical balance; Kirby could spray every 2 weeks. Muck is a big part of the problem runoff is some of the problem. Tom can also help with sampling. Signage is needed, Emerson will get this done. We will talk to Brent Haglund about dredging/deepening. Looking into rock along the shore. Shafers would like to make an investment to improve the pond and are looking for some guidance.
2. So. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, south side at MAI building being remodeled: Who pays for sidewalk repairs? Whose budget is this? Is there TID money available for this as was used for previous sidewalks downtown? Emerson will check.
3. No DOT funds will be used for Van Buren, we will borrow for the amount needed to finish the project. All DOT funds will be used to maintain other Village streets so we don't fall behind on those. \* Talk to Steven before we swap out LRIP Newman Ave for Cleveland overlay project.
4. Valley Villas and Lazer Tooling are the last burn permit approval needed, Emerson will contact Brunkhorst, Kirby will talk to Andy Losert for forms.
5. General updates: Sanitary sewer – PRV at fire hall needs replacement. Van Buren will start July 22<sup>nd</sup>, July 10<sup>th</sup> is the pre-con meeting. Budget time, we need to commit funds to our parks. The permit that allows us to purchase fish needs to be renewed. We need to come up with a campaign to raise money for the trout pond. Family Dollar dumpsters on north side of building need to be kept back, Emerson will contact GFL, Kirby to take down "No Parking" sign on the electric pole on the SW corner of Akers St. and Sabin Ave. intersection.

Motion (Huepfel/O'Connell) to adjourn. 8:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted  
Luann Emerson, Administrator