



**PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE MINUTES
MONDAY JULY 20, 2020 AT 4:00 P.M.
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
111 SOUTH CAPITOL STREET
PEKIN, ILLINOIS 61554**

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Orrick called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE

Amy McCoy, Executive Director Pekin Area Chamber of Commerce, led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Member Abel, Council Member Garrison, and Council Member Lloyd Orrick were present for roll call.

ALSO PRESENT: City Engineer Josie Esker, Assistant City Engineer Lorri Winchester, City Manager Mark Rothert, City Clerk Sue McMillan, and Operations Supervisor Streets and Solid Waste Brett Olson present remotely. Amy McCoy Executive Director Pekin Area Chamber of Commerce was in attendance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Committee Member Garrison to approve the July 20, 2020 Agenda, seconded by Committee Member Able. Motion carried by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Committee Member Abel to approve the Committee minutes dated May 12, 2020, seconded by committee Member Garrison. Motion carried by voice vote.

PUBLIC INPUT/COMMENTS/QUESTIONS there were no comments received.

NEW BUSINESS

Review Task Order from Farnsworth Group on the Court Street Drainage Study

City Engineer Esker advised the members of the history of flooding on Court Street between 14th Street and Parkway Drive during heavy rain events. She advise that it was imperative that any underground drainage upgrades be completed prior to the planned resurfacing of the road. Committee Member Garrison spoke strongly against patching a new asphalt surface. Discussion followed on budgeted amounts for the purchase of camera equipment to televise storm sewers by street department employees. The balance of the storm water line item was discussed along with outstanding CSO, Broadway Farms, Ms. Esker proposed a study be completed this year so that the necessary drainage improvements could be completed in advance and not delay any road improvement. The City had a master services agreement with Farnsworth Group to provide survey and engineering services on storm water related projects. The company had the software and the staff necessary to complete the study in a

timely manner. Chairman Orrick made a motion to recommend at the next Council meeting that Farnsworth be contracted to perform the engineering work, seconded by Committee Member Abel. Motion carried voice vote.

Sheridan Road Patching

The Committee was told that the Street Department recently completed a large patching project on Sheridan for approximately \$10,000 plus time. The City also had awarded a bid for the 2020 Chip Seal Program which was under budget. Ms. Esker proposed the City chip seal a portion of Sheridan Road between Redwood and the Lick Creek Bridge for approximately \$15,000.00 which was not originally included in the 2020 plan. Chairman Orrick supported the recommended chip seal to extend the life of the patch improvement and to recommend to the Council at the next regular meeting.

7-15-20 Storm Update

Committee Members discussed the recent heavy rains that had fallen in a short time and the drainage issues that followed. It was reported that more residents were calling in with discovered problems and the department had received several reoccurrences of flooding issues. Ms. Esker felt that these areas needed to be considered by the members to be added and to reprioritize the committee's list and Storm Water CIP.

Discussion of Storm Water Flooding & Costs to Repair

The City Engineer advised the Committee Members of a discovered partially collapsed 60 inch diameter pipe at State Street outfall. The collapse left a 20 foot deep hole adjacent to the railroad tracks with no idea of the condition of the clay brick storm sewer. Time was of the essence and the department proceeded with emergency procurement to have Hoerr Construction line the sewer.

There were several other sinkholes that would be repaired in-house. It was reported that repairs to Vista Grande project sustained some erosion damage needing repair. The rushing waters move some big rocks and pulled riprap back in a few places. It was noted Vista Grande project was a committee's success story. Riverway Drive and Koch Street showed quite a lot of water with the retention pond totally filled. The project would be explored a little more as a result before proceeding into next phases. The Library flood wall worked to deter the flood waters. There was not much damage in the downtown areas. The Downtown drainage improvement project for two new inlets would be bid in August. There was discussion of project totals and funds being chipped away. Phase 3A Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Project was split out and rebid would be recommended to Council at the next meeting.

Court Street Update

City Manager Rothert updated the members on the waiting on REBUILD Illinois Fast Track "first come first serve" grant application Valle Vista to Veterans Drive. He reported the bid was being delayed until the grant would be awarded in order to scale up to fit Hilltop as part of improvements to Veterans Drive. Recently \$20,000 million was allocated to Court Street from the State.

Waste Hauler Franchise Agreements

Mr. Rothert explained to members that agreements were being considered as apposed the small license fees that companies were paying annually. Action needed to be taken to limit the impact of the waste collector's trucks on the city's pavements. The members spoke in favor of the manager researching and to pursue recommended action.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE SUB COMMITTEE

Brett Olson advised the members of his struggle for the department in budgeting materials for road repairs in MFT line item. He explained that Cullinan who had won the bid did not make mix everyday. When necessary Tazewell County Asphalt is used leaving him over budget.

Committee Member Abel asked that the storm water issue on Ironwood be added to the more inclusive list for the Committee to review and recommend improvements.

Motion by Committee Chairman Garrison, seconded by Committee Member Abel to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted
City Clerk
Sue E. McMillan