



**PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
MAY 16, 2022 AT 1:30 P.M.
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
111 SOUTH CAPITOL STREET PEKIN, ILLINOIS 61554**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Nutter called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

PLEDGE

Brett Olson Streets / Solid Waste Division, led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairman David Nutter, Committee Member Becky Cloyd and Committee Member Lloyd Orrick were present for roll call.

ALSO PRESENT: Public Works Director Justin Reeise, City Engineer Josie Esker, Engineering Technician Hannah Martin, Alina Kramer, and City Clerk Sue McMillan.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Committee Member Orrick to approve the May 16, 2022 Agenda, seconded by Committee Member Cloyd. Motion carried by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Committee Member Orrick to approve as written the Committee minutes dated April 18, 2022. City Clerk Sue McMillan noted the minutes were not complete for agenda item 2. Sewer Lateral Change. Committee Member Orrick rescinded his motion to approve. Motion by Committee Member Cloyd, seconded by Chairman Nutter to lay over the minutes. Motion carried by voice vote.

BUSINESS

5.A. Derby Street Update

Hanson working on preliminary reconstruction design. Submitted intersection for review to IDOT. Applications submitted for Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) through Tri-County Regional Planning along with Court Street, \$3 million submitted for each. Two months for review for the 2025-2026 funding.

5.B. Court Street Update

Waiting for Phase 1 approval from IDOT Valle Vista to 8th Street. They are delayed with grant applications. Have addresses and phone numbers of approximately 60 owners of properties. Begin construction 2023 unless owners are reluctant to sell. Plats are finished with pre-written letters to mail. Ameren has completed site review hoping to begin their work in the Fall. Working on design with utilities. Have not finalized costs for lights and fiberglass poles but will bring those costs back to Council.

5.C. Chestnut Street Update

City Engineer Esker checked the flooding area during a storm event and pulled manhole lid. Inlet needs upsizing. Staff will work on design.

5.D. Willow Street Update

Engineer has camera footage. Will look at plan for next meeting.

5.E. ITEP Stadium Drive Environmental Study Update

Environmental is process. The study is required by IDOT. Will need Public Meeting with Park District and the High School.

5.F. Wastewater Deduct Meters

Mr. Reeise asked for the Committee further direction on allowing the meters. Committee Member Orrick suggested sending letters to the bigger users and meet to discuss. He also proposed an intergovernmental agreement with Park District because of their high volume of water for irrigation.

5.G. Tharp Avenue Easements

Staff working on easements to be signed.

5.H. Highwood Levee

Public Works Director Reeise reported Department of Natural Resources (DNR) engineer finished the report. He also spoke with the new owners of Sunset Hills / Mashies. One of the property owners cannot be located. The City has not taken ownership of either dam. Steve Breshnahan questioned the Committee on ownership. It was explained that Federal and State law regulate the dams not the City and in 1979 seepage was identified. If there were a risk of failure the State has the right to drain the lakes. Mr. Reeise questioned how much tax dollars do City residents want to spend to maintain a private lake. The matter would be a Council policy issue.

PUBLIC INPUT

Greg Gurbel addressed the Committee to report the storm drain issues in his Willow Street yard were accelerating causing sinkholes.

Matthew Johnson expressed his concerns of erosion of the Highwood dams.

Steve Breshnahan announced Bike Night Event in the Downtown on July 29 and 30.

City Engineer Josie Esker announced that Front Street / Distillery Road was complete. May 31, 2022 at 2:00 P.M. would be a ribbon cutting.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE SUB COMMITTEE

No other business to come before the Committee, motion by Committee Member Orrick, seconded by Committee Member Cloyd to adjourn.

Chairman Nutter adjourned the meeting at 2:32 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

City Clerk

Sue E. McMillan