

# **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

## **MINUTES—REGULAR MEETING**

May 17, 2016

The Seven Devils Public Works Committee met in regular session on Tuesday, May 17, 2016, at Town Hall. Present were Chairman Brad Lambert. Vice Chairman George Ehlinger and Members Larry Fontaine and Brady Sasse. Also present were Public Works Director Kevin Aldridge, Town Engineer David Poore and Town Manager Debbie Powers along with citizen Jack Byrnes. The minutes were recorded by Emma Wynn, interim Town Clerk.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Lambert called the meeting to order at 10:05AM.

### **ADOPT AGENDA**

Member Fontaine made a motion to adopt the agenda. Vice Chair Ehlinger seconded the motion. It was requested to amend the Agenda to add Paving Estimate under New Business. The members agreed unanimously to adopt the agenda as amended.

### **APPROVE MINUTES— April 19, 2016**

Member Fontaine made a motion to adopt the minutes from April 19, 2016. Chair Lambert seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

### **OLD BUSINESS—NONE**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**165 Woodwinds (Copley) Drainage Issue**—Town Manager Powers distributed photos showing the drainage problems at Ms. Copley's property. Public Works Director Aldridge stated the plan is to put in a paved ditch and a large plunger pool at end of the drainage ditch to catch/collect debris that would be cleaned out by the maintenance crew as needed. Director Aldridge stated the needed work is all on Ms. Copley's property, her existing culvert is 15". He stated the large plunger pool, along with regular debris cleaning, should prevent overflowing; however, it could still overflow with heavy rains but normal rainfall should not be a problem. Director Aldridge stated the estimated cost of the repair through an outside contractor is \$3310. The maintenance crew could do the prep work and save approximately \$1500 but the town would have to pay for the materials. Chair Lambert proposed contracting with Moretz to complete the drainage project since the maintenance crew has multiple projects going on this time of year. He requested Town Manager Powers budget \$3310 for the project. Manager Powers will summarize the information to present at the next Town Council meeting. **~CLOSED~**

**Meadowview Court Waterline**—Director Aldridge stated that this waterline is a short run and doesn't serve many homes with little room for expansion. There is an existing 1 ¼" line that will be replaced with a 2" one, and a 2" valve will be installed for easier hook-up. There is a fire hydrant at the intersection. The replacement will cost approximately \$1500 in materials. The Enterprise budget has enough funds to cover the cost. **~CLOSED~**

**Road Paving Project**—Town Engineer Poore stated that the paving quote from Moretz increased because some roads will require more than the standard 1½" overlay. Town Manager Powers stated that the estimate for the 10 roads went from \$114,377 to \$145,500. There was discussion about eliminating

either Windy Knob or Knob Hill from this round of paving which would bring the estimate in line with the original one. Director Aldridge suggested not to put off paving Windy Knob since it has been postponed in the past. He stated that the cracks on Knob Hill were filled last summer and feels the existing pavement is in good enough shape to put off paving till next year. Chair Lambert questioned if any other estimates had been obtained. Director Aldridge stated only the one estimate was obtained; he will request an estimate from another company. Manager Powers will reprioritize the list as discussed and give it to Director Aldridge for the second estimate. Chair Lambert made a motion to recommend to the Town Council via email distribution the amended list of roads to be paved. Member Ehlinger seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

**MEMBERSHIP**—Chair Lambert made a motion to recommend to the Town Council that Jack Byrnes be added as a member on the Public Works Committee. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Ehlinger. The members agreed unanimously. **~CLOSED~**

**CITIZENS COMMENTS**—Member Fontaine expressed concern regarding the faded striping on the road. Director Aldridge has contacted NCDOT. It was noted that all surrounding municipalities are experiencing similar problems with their road restriping. It was suggested that a letter be drafted outlining the citizens' concerns and sent to the NCDOT. Member Fontaine will draft the letter; Debbie will email it to the committee members and NCDOT. **~CLOSED~**

Chair Lambert commended the maintenance crew for their hard work.

**ADJOURN**

Chair Lambert made a motion adjourn. Vice Chair Ehlinger seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:55AM.

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Brad Lambert, Chairman

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Emma Wynn, Interim Town Clerk