

**VILLAGE OF HINSDALE**  
**ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, JULY 14, 2008**  
**MEMORIAL HALL**

Chairman Jean Follett called the meeting of the Environment and Public Services Committee to order at 7:30 p.m., Monday, July 14, 2008, in Memorial Hall of the Memorial Building, 19 East Chicago Avenue, Hinsdale, IL.

PRESENT: Chairman Jean Follett, Trustee Thomas Cauley, Trustee Bob Schultz

ABSENT: Trustee Cindy Williams

ALSO PRESENT: David Cook, Shaun Pelletier, George Franco, John Finnell, Dan Hopkins

**Approval of Minutes – June 9, 2008**

Trustee Cauley moved to approve the minutes of June 9, 2008. Trustee Schultz seconded. Motion carried.

**Public Services Monthly Report**

The Committee reviewed the activities of the Public Services Department in the last month. Chairman Follett inquired about crosswalk striping, which Mr. Franco said should be completed in August.

**Engineering Monthly Report**

Mr. Pelletier reviewed the status of all engineering projects. Dave Medo of Civil Engineering Services was present to give an update on the 2008 Road Program. New requirements from IDOT may further delay the project, and it has been difficult to reach anyone to clarify the requirements. The Committee directed staff to review ways to reorganize the funding to eliminate the IDOT review. Staff stated that options were limited since most of this year's funding was from the Motor Fuel Tax account that requires IDOT review.

The proposed schedule for the 2009 Road Program was reviewed and it was determined that the Fourth of July parade route for 2009 would need to be modified due to work on Garfield Street.

Mr. Cook stated that coordination with Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad regarding the Oak Street Bridge continues. A structural inspection report is expected soon, along with an agreement to transfer jurisdiction to the Village.

### **Right-of-Way Improvement Consideration – 18 W. First Street**

The Committee considered a request from Attorney Matthew Klein and owner Joe Peterchak to make improvements to the public alley adjacent to and west of 18 W. First Street. Improvements would include replacement of the paver walkway, replace existing overgrown shrubs, and landscaping along the walkway. A right-of-way covenant was agreed to.

A motion to allow the alley improvements with the condition of a covenant was made by Trustee Schultz. Trustee Cauley seconded. The motion carried.

### **Right-of-Way Vacation Consideration – 950 York Road**

The Committee considered a request from the property owner at 950 York Road to vacate portions of Glendale Avenue and Kings Place that are adjacent to their property without compensation to the Village. Attorney Mark Anderson was present and stated that the request was simply to ensure the current use of the property would not be effected by the Village reclaiming their rights-of-way. Chairman Follett opposed vacation but would accept a covenant to allow the parking lots to remain as long as the building and current use do not change.

A motion to allow the continued current use of the property with the condition of a covenant was made by Trustee Cauley. Trustee Schultz seconded. The motion carried.

### **Adoption of Ordinance – Alley Right-of-Way Vacation**

The Committee considered a request from the property owner at 612 S. Bruner Street to vacate the alley adjacent to and west of their property for an appraised amount of \$11,000. Trustee Schultz questioned why the appraised amount per square foot of the alley is approximately only half of the value of the adjacent land. Trustee Cauley indicated that the vacated property is only marketable to the adjacent property owner, and therefore not worth as much. Staff was directed to clarify this with the appraiser.

Trustee Cauley moved to recommend to the Board of Trustees to Adopt an Ordinance vacating the east half of public alley right-of-way adjacent to and west of 612 S. Bruner Street and a purchase price of \$11,000. Trustee Schultz seconded. Motion carried.

### **Award of Bid – Radio Telemetry Upgrade**

The Committee reviewed the two quotes received for the radio telemetry upgrade for which there is \$20,000 budgeted. The work will maintain high quality, decrease revenue loss during service interruptions, and increase water plant security. Trustee Schultz moved to recommend approval to the Board of Trustees the radio telemetry upgrade to the Siemens Water Technologies Corporation in the amount of \$18,715. Trustee Cauley seconded. Motion carried.

**Plat of Consolidation Consideration – 417 and 421 S. Grant Street**

The Committee considered a request from Jeff Terry to consolidate 417 and 421 S. Grant Street. The consolidation would take two existing non-conforming lots and create one conforming property. Trustee Schultz moved to recommend to the Board of Trustees to approve a resolution approving and accepting a plat of consolidation to consolidate the properties commonly known as 417 and 421 S. Grant Street in the Village of Hinsdale, County of Dupage. Trustee Cauley seconded. Motion carried.

**Additional Consideration**

Trustee Schultz questioned the poor condition of the athletic fields and presence of clovers. Mr. Hopkins indicated that it's mainly due to the rainy season and temperatures now being too hot to spray, and ideally fields need to be rested. Chairman Follett recommended discussing the situation with the Park and Recreation Commission to determine remedies.

With no further issues to be brought before the Committee, Trustee Schultz moved to adjourn. Trustee Cauley seconded. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shaun S. Pelletier  
Village Engineer