

Village of Lena
117 E. Main St., Lena, WI 54139
Public Works Minutes
Tuesday, May 14, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

Meeting was called to order.

Roll call: Robert Borchert, Steve Marquardt, Terry Hinds

Also present: Terry Earley, Tyler Schmit, Jodi Marquardt, Cory Marquardt,

Approval of agenda: Motion made by S Marquardt/Hinds to approve the agenda with moving agenda items as needed. Motion voted and carried.

Approval of the minutes from April 9, 2024, meetings: Motion made by S. Marquardt/Hinds to approve the minutes from April 9, 2024, meeting, as presented. Motion voted and carried.

Public Comment/Complaints: Cory Marquardt present to discuss the Public Works water tank. Cory donated the water tank to the Village in 2000 and now that the Public Works department is no longer using it, Cory has taken it back into his possession.

Complaints have been received regarding the state of the landscape following a project by Bug Tussel. They have been contacted via phone and email and have not responded. Clerk will follow up again. Also, there have been complaints regarding the building behind the Village Hall. Clerk has contacted them in which they stated they would report back and have failed to do so. Borchert to follow up.

Utility Report: April 2024 Utility Workers Report was informational. Public Works is requesting the purchase of another larger lawn mower. This will need to be a long-term capital plan item, along with reviewing any other equipment needs. Currently the lawn cutting is taking about 12-18 hours/wk and a new mower will cost \$12,000-\$14,000. A new pole saw was purchased, and the old one sold for \$150. The hydrant flushing schedule is working well. Pj Kortens sent an email about current services provided under contract. The SCADA system is not working, and we need better support to bring alarm reporting up to date and working properly. This is not part of the contract. Further discussion with PJ Kortens is needed. BOD testing with Badger is working well. Will continue to outsource through this service.

Influent/Effluent Flows: Informational.

Monthly Expenditures: Informational.

Ayres Update: No update

Sidewalk Replacement: Grinding down the uneven sidewalks did not work. Public Works to look into renting a large industrial grinder to determine effectiveness. Kelby Cook Construction will remove the old sidewalks requiring replacement. Proceeding with the next group to be replaced needs to be scheduled toll allow time to contact homeowners.

Quat Testing: Another quat test will be performed this week following changes being made at questionable customers.

Water Meters: Continuing to work with Core and Main to set up the new system and identify meters. On the accounting end, Work Horse can accommodate the software and is ready to implement.

Alley Abandonment: Parcel # 05271218A is requesting an alley abandonment and review of hardship on the Village public works needs to be determined. Public Works will assess the ability to access the alley from Pelkey Street instead of Maple St and report next month.

Lead and Copper Testing: In progress

Miscellaneous: Nothing

Items for next meeting: Sidewalks, lawn mower, generator, alley abandonment, water meters, Scada contract, Continued hours for Cory Marquardt to assist with maintenance, Astrea

Next meeting, Tuesday, May 11, 2024 @ 10:00am.

Adjournment: Motion S Marquardt/Borchert to adjourn at 12:01 pm. Motion voted and carried.

Respectfully submitted, Jodi A. Marquardt, Clerk/Treasurer