

**Public Works Committee
Minutes
6:30 P.M. September 23, 2004**

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Public Works Committee of the City of O'Fallon, held in the Mayor's Conference Room, City Hall, 255 S. Lincoln, O'Fallon, Illinois on September 23, 2004. CALL TO ORDER: Time: 6:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL: MEMBERS: Medford, Drolet; West, True; Absent: Renner
STAFF LIAISON: Sullivan
NON-COMMITTEE ALDERMEN: Albrecht, Reckamp
GUESTS: Melinda Parker, Georgia Hillyer, Dave Pfeifer

Approval of the minutes from September 9, 2004.

- Item 1. **POI:** Traffic Calming Options Fairwood Hills Road – No Action. (Open)

- Item 2. **AI:** Traffic Control Sign Review – Thirteen locations recommended for new sign locations or changes from yield to stops were reviewed by committee. Staff was directed to author ordinances for passage by full Council. (Closed)

- Action: Staff is to prepare ordinances pertaining to the signs for adoption by full Council.

- Item 3. **POI:** Moye School Detention Ponds – No Action. (Open)

- Item 4. **POI:** Moose Lodge Signs – No Action. (Open)

- Item 5. **POI:** Central School District #104 Delmar Avenue Improvements – No Action. (Open)

- Item 6. **POI:** Southview Drainage Problems – Staff is awaiting a proposal from Rhutasel and Associates for the inventory of drainage features in the subdivision. Rhutasel was given additional information from an effort by City staff to determine drainage paths approximately 8 years ago. (Open)

- Item 7. **POI:** Quail Meadows Drainage Problems – A proposal from an independent engineering firm to survey properties in the subdivision for drainage corrections and the City's water tower has been received. Corrections to some problems within the subdivision have been taken on by the contractors involved. (Open)

- Item 8. **POI:** French Village Water Pump Station – No Action. (Open)

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- Item 9. **POI:** NW Quadrant Transportation Study – The study’s findings were presented to the Council on 9/20/04. On 10/12/04, the draft report will be reviewed by the Planning Commission. On 10/18/04, the draft report and comments will be reviewed by the Community Development Committee. Dependent on comments, the report will then be presented to the Council for inclusion in the Comprehensive Plan. (Open)
- Item 10. **POI:** Stormwater Master Plan Update – No Action. (Open)
- Item 11. **POI:** Facilities Planning Area Expansion Update – The City is in receipt of an FPA Expansion proposal by Caseyville Township. The proposal is being reviewed by Larry Rhutasel, our consulting engineer. The City will likely comment on the proposal from the standpoint that it does not make good engineering sense for Caseyville to serve an area in a watershed that drains naturally towards Collinsville. Collinsville should serve that area. (Open)
- Item 12. **POI:** Meeting Schedule, 1 or 2 Meeting per Month of Public Works Committee – After a lengthy exchange of ideas on the subject, staff was directed to come up with a straw man of a monthly meeting schedule for Aldermen to review with a few caveats: 1) No concurrent committee meetings can be held; 2) Community Development Committee should be scheduled for 2 meetings a month due to need to quickly move on submittals; and 3) staff will have to add extra verbiage to staff reports to Council on items sent to them without first being reviewed by committee. (Open)
- Item 13. **POI:** Response to O’Fallon Letter to IEPA on Village Caseyville’s Use of Revolving Loan Fund – Staff presented a response from IEPA on letter protesting the use of the fund for Caseyville capital improvements. Bottomline is that while the IEPA believes it is a justified usage, the capital improvements are to benefit the existing rural homeowners and traditional family farms. The system provided is not intended to service large development or non-traditional land usage. In discussions with the Village of Caseyville it is apparent that they wish to serve subdivision development in O’Fallon. As that would be a non-traditional use of the system, we feel this is another reason to reject the Village’s request, and will continue to provide water service for homes in future O’Fallon subdivisions. (Closed)
- Item 14. **POI:** Regenerative-Air Sweeper Delivery – Staff informed the committee that the sweeper has indeed been received earlier than anticipated and will be put to use immediately. (Closed)

Item 15. **POI:** Railroad Crossing Repairs – Repairs to Vine and Cherry Street crossings are underway and should be completed by week's end. Next will be Oak, then Smiley, and finally Lincoln. Schedule will be highly dependent on CSX Railroad crews who have to replace ties and ballast. (Closed)

Item 16. **POI:** Vine Street Reconstruction – The contractor started repairs on Monday morning, 9/20/04, and the project will be completed on Friday, 9/24/04 barring weather delays. (Closed)

Item 17. **AI:** Water Tower Property Survey Proposal – Staff presented a proposal from Kuhlman Design Group (KDG) for a survey of the property to allow determination of grading needed there as well as on adjacent properties. (Closed)

Motion: Recommend passage of resolution and authorization for Mayor to sign contract with KDG for surveying.

Item 18. **AI:** Bids for Pick-up Trucks – Staff presented bids from three local dealerships for 2005 pickup trucks meeting specifications of the 2004 State Contract. Three bids were submitted: 1.) Laura GMC of Collinsville, Il. was high bidder at \$16,424; 2.) Landmark Ford of Springfield, Il. was middle bidder at \$13,309; 3.) Schmitt Chevrolet of O'Fallon, Il. was low bidder at \$13,153. Staff recommends that Schmitt Chevrolet be awarded the Pick-up Truck bid at \$13,153 each. The State of Illinois contract for pickup trucks is currently not available for use in purchase of these vehicles. (Closed)

Motion: Committee recommended bid from Schmitt Chevrolet be accepted by full Council for pickup trucks budgeted for Engineering & Public Works for FY2005.

Item 19. **POI:** Bids for Replacement of Fence Posts, City Library Property – Staff presented the results of bids taken for replacement of 152 wooden fence posts that support the fencing between residences on Ruth Avenue and the Library and Post Office properties to the south. The posts have been rotting and breaking off at a steadily increasing pace and individual replacement has been very costly. Staff was directed to look into possible alternatives to the fence which is reaching replacement age, and come back to committee with the costs of the different alternatives. (Open)

Item 20. **POI:** Old Collinsville Road – The road project is complete. Ribbon cutting is set for October 1st at 10:00 AM at the intersection of Old Collinsville Road and Highway 50. (Closed)

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- Item 21. **POI:** Gateway Connector – On 9/15/04 staff visited IDOT District #8 to review progress to date on connector corridor protection plan. IDOT is showing draft work to local communities in preparation for public meetings on the matter. IDOT has considered our earlier comments and provided for access to the connector at O’Fallon-Troy Road. Public meetings will be announced by IDOT soon, anticipate the end of October. (Closed)
- Item 22. **POI:** Water Distribution System Analysis with GIS Applications Loading Proposal – Staff alerted committee that Burns & McDonnell and staff are working on a proposal for approximately \$60,000 to load data on current water system into digital files that can be used by the City’s GIS. Once loaded, updates to the City water maps will be relatively easy to make, keeping the map current. Additionally, the data will be in a format that will allow modeling updates to determine the need for future projects to keep the system running efficiently and providing service needed by our customers. (Closed)

Next regular meeting is scheduled for October 7, 2004 at 6:30 P.M at City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:52 P.M. PREPARED BY: Sullivan