

**Public Works Committee
Minutes
7:00 P.M.; August 24, 2009**

Minutes of a meeting of the City of O'Fallon's Public Works Committee, held in the Mayor's Conference Room, City Hall, 255 S. Lincoln, O'Fallon, Illinois on July 24, 2009.

CALL TO ORDER: Time: 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL: MEMBERS: Medford, Reckamp, True; Absent: Engler, Polites
NON-COMMITTEE ALDERMEN: Cozad, Albrecht, J. Drolet, N. Drolet, McCoskey
STAFF LIAISON: Bell, Sullivan, Bowman, Funk, Denton
GUESTS: Dave Pfeifer, Kirk Greer, Vern Haggitt, Maury & Sylvia Beuckman

Minutes from July 27, 2009 were approved.

- Item 1. **AI:** 41 Fairway Dr. ERT Damage Appeal – Mr. Haggitt, property owner, addressed the committee regarding the damage to the ERT. He has only owned the property since January 2009. He said that the City of Fairview Heights mowed that property at least 9 times before he took possession as it was in bankruptcy. Ameren also had been in the area during an ice storm and cut limbs down. He feels that he is not responsible for the damage. Committee requested more information on when the damage would have been indicated by our billing system. Staff will research the account and bring information back to the next meeting. (Open)
- Item 2. **AI:** 108 Cheshire Court ERT Damage Appeal – Mr. Greer addressed the committee regarding the ERT damage. He felt that he did not cause the damage, and his mower would have been damaged if he hit the ERT. He said the ERT is 2 to 3 inches higher than the grass and he is careful when he mows around it. After a discussion by the committee they agreed with the staff recommendation to deny the appeal. Staff answered additional questions in his letter regarding sewer rate increases. Staff explained this did not have an impact on Fairview Heights' residents. The surcharge portion of his bill is part of the City to City agreement on water service, and was agreed to by the City of Fairview Heights some 40 years ago when the agreement was put in place. (Closed)
- Item 3. **AI:** Support Resolutions for Old Collinsville Road Construction – Staff informed the committee that this project is still funded. Fairview Heights' cost is greater than O'Fallon's based on previous annexation of property along Old Collinsville Road that in turn made them responsible for a greater length of the roadway to be reconstructed in the current project. The agreement between the two cities and support of the cost of the reconstruction need to be approved in the form of resolutions to move forward with the project. O'Fallon will be the lead agency on the project paying the bills and requesting reimbursement from Fairview and IDOT. Additionally, the cost of the project has increased for

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Fairview Heights due to requirements from CSX Railroad and the FHWA on their end of the roadway. Fairview Heights and O'Fallon are still working on easement/right-of-way acquisition, but many of the issues with the acquisitions have been ironed out.

Motion: Committee recommended approval of two support resolutions. One for the City of O'Fallon's portion of the funding needed to construct the roadway, and another supporting the agreement between Fairview Heights and O'Fallon on responsibilities of each community in the re-construction of the road segments. (Closed)

Item 4. **AI:** Temporary Construction Easement for St. Clair County's Reconstruction of O'Fallon-Troy Road – Staff has been contacted by St. Clair County Department of Roads and Bridges requesting a construction easement along a small portion of our right-of-way adjacent to Bowler Road that will need slope modification to allow reconstruction of O'Fallon-Troy Road in that area. Staff recommended approval of the temporary easement.

Motion: Committee recommended approval of the temporary construction easement. (Closed)

Item 5. **AI:** No Parking, Shadow Ridge Crossing, Ferncliffe Stub (Carriel Jr. High) – Residents have contacted staff on parking issues. Parents dropping off their children to Carriel Jr. High are parking on this stub street blocking the driveways of the residents and then causing traffic hazards when backing out of the stub. After a discussion by the committee, the staff was directed to prepare an ordinance changes for "No Stopping/No Standing/No Parking" except by permit on the stub. The permit will allow residents who live in the residences adjacent to the stub to park there.

Motion: Committee recommends "No Stopping/No Standing/No Parking" ordinance amendments as necessary. (Closed)

Item 6. **AI:** IDOT Resolution (Audit) – State Street Resurfacing – Staff has been in contact with IDOT on closing this project out. Although, the project has been completed and the MFT money approved and spent, IDOT requires this form to close out the project and square up their books.

Motion: Committee recommended approval of the IDOT MFT Resolution in the amount of \$94,195.56. (Closed)

Item 7. **AI:** IDOT Resolution (Audit) – West Highway 50 – Staff has been in contact with IDOT on closing this project out. Although, the project has been completed and the MFT money approved and spent, IDOT requires this form to close out the project and square up their books.

Motion: Committee recommended approval of the IDOT MFT Supplemental Resolution in the amount of \$85,907.36. (Closed)

Item 8. **POI:** Former Texaco Station Contaminant Plume – Staff informed the committee that there will be a public meeting regarding this location (300 E. Hwy 50). The current property owner is asking the City to execute a "Highway

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Authority Agreement” for the portion of the contamination under Whitehall. Committee asked if this will be a problem for the Tropical Snow Hut that was recently approved for this location. Staff answered no it will not be a problem. The plume (groundwater) is thought to be expanding to the south at a slow rate and would only be a concern if someone had an existing well, or were to make a deep excavation on their property on in the right-of-way. Staff is unaware of any wells in this area. (Closed)

- Item 9. **POI:** Milburn School Road Roundabout – Staff informed the committee that IDOT & FHWA are both in agreement with this project based on existing info. Milburn School Road will be reconstructed from Simmons Road to a point west of Merriam Parkway in the next 2 years. (Closed)
- Item 10. **POI:** Sidewalk Extension, Seven Hills Road – Carriel Jr. High to Wildwood – Staff showed 2 possible scenarios for the sidewalk. The first was construction along the west edge of Seven Hills Road, a 4-foot wide. Sidewalk, 2-feet off of the back of the curb. The second option would be using a portion of District #90’s school property for a portion of the way. Both require acquiring additional right-of-way with additional costs. Use of the school property avoids constructing a large length of retaining wall and might allow for provision of additional stormwater detention area. Staff will continue working on the two options to determine the most advantageous one. (Closed)
- Item 11. **POI:** Porter-Simmons Roundabout – Staff informed the committee that a public meeting will be held on September 10, 2009 from 6 to 8 pm at City Hall regarding the roundabout. Its construction has been found to have no adverse impact on the park. A consideration due to federal funding involved in the purchase of the park grounds that needed to be addressed before the public meeting to allow those in attendance to comment on that determination. Beyond that staff is waiting to see what AmerenIP will propose on moving their utilities out of the way as it is the last big obstacle to overcome in the construction design of the roundabout. Additionally, the roundabout will be farmer-friendly, allowing their equipment to traverse the feature without problem. (Closed)
- Item 12. **POI:** 1102 Lorien Court Drainage – No Action. (Open)
- Item 13. **POI:** 211 Howard Drainage Problem – No Action. (Open)
- Item 14. **POI:** Lee & Howard Intersection & Drainage Ditch – No Action. (Open)
- Item 15. **POI:** 209 Joy Drainage Problem – No Action. (Open)
- Item 16. **POI:** 506 Dartmouth Drainage Problem – No Action. (Open)
- Item 17. **POI:** Weber and 50 Drainage Problem – No Action. (Open)

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- Item 18. **POI:** 704 Oak Creek Court – No Action. (Open)
- Item 19. **POI:** 600 Block of E. Washington Street Vacation – No Action. (Open)
- Item 20. **POI:** 1105 Elisabeth Drainage Problem - No Action. (Open)
- Item 21. **POI:** 122 Central Drainage Problem – No Action. (Open)
- Item 22. **POI:** 8525 Treybrooke Drainage Problem - No Action. (Open)
- Item 23. **POI:** Moye School Detention (1064 Oxford Hill Drainage Problem) – No Action. (Open).
- Item 24. **POI:** 314 Joy Drainage Problem – No Action. (Open).
- Item 25. **POI:** 506 N. Cherry Drainage Problem – No Action. (Open).
- Item 26. **POI:** 878 Misty Valley Sump Pump Drain Problem – No Action. (Open)
- Item 27. **POI:** 861 Misty Valley Sump Drain Problem – No Action. (Open).
- Item 28. **POI:** 621 Wintergreen Sump Pump Drain Problem – No Action. (Open)
- Item 29. **POI:** Misty Valley Street End of Roadway Drainage - No Action. (Open)
- Item 30. **POI:** Mulberry Ditch Drainage Problem – No Action. (Open)
- Item 31. **POI:** 931 Crabapple Drainage Problem – No Action. (Open)
- Item 32. **POI:** Illinois Water/Waterwater Agency Response Network (ILWARN)
- Item 33. **POI:** Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network (IPWMAN)
- Item 34. **POI:** Deduct Water Meter – No Action. (Open)

ADJOURNMENT: 8:15 P.M. PREPARED BY: Heide Bell

Next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 28, 2009 at 7:00 P.M., to be held in the Mayor's Conference Room or Council Chambers at City Hall dependent upon the number of visitors at the meeting.

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