

PUBLIC WORKS/PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE
MOTION SUMMARY
March 3, 2015

1. ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present: Chairman Chris Jones and Mayor Carolyn Riggle

Committee Members Absent: Vice-Chairman Kent Shafer

Mayor Riggle moved to excuse Vice-Chairman Shafer, seconded by Chairman Jones and approved by a 2-0 vote.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Chris Jones.

Staff Present: Public Service Director Dan Whited, Water Manager Tom Hinson, Utility Maintenance and Project Manager Perry Mickley, Public Works Director Bill Ferrigno, Project Engineer Jessica Ormeroid, Project Manager Jeff Coleman, Utility Office Supervisor Kim Johnson and Customer Service Liaison Linda Mathews.

2. APPROVAL of the Motion Summary of the Public Works/Public Utilities Committee meeting held January 6, 2015, as recorded and transcribed.

Mayor Riggle moved to approve the Motion Summary of the meeting held January 6, 2015 as recorded and transcribed. Motion seconded by Chairman Jones and approved by a 2-0 vote.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Matthew White, representing his grandfather of 341 N. Franklin St., requested some assistance with resolving an ice build-up resulting from sump pump discharge into the roadway from the property to the north of the identified address. Mr. White provided pictures of the build-up and indicated that his grandfather had fallen as a result of the build-up.

Staff will look at the concern and contact Mr. White to provide follow up options to resolve the concern.

4. SUMMARY and DISCUSSION of SafeWalk Program

Public Works Director provides a recap of the SafeWalk Program from inception through the present highlighting information that was distributed with the

agenda packet.

5. PRESENTATION of SafeWalk Appeals

Prior to the first appeal presentation, Chairman Jones provided a summary of how appeals are presented and the options that the Committee could issue following an appeal.

The first appeal was from Timothy Pollock for the property at 959 Wallace Dr. Mr Pollock purchased the property during the process period from identification to the work being completed. He felt that the previous owner was the individual that should be responsible for the cost of the repairs.

The appeal was placed on hold, during which time City representatives will make contact with the previous owner and or the title company to discuss the fact that this work was not disclosed during the closing for the purchase of the property.

The second appeal was for 201 Hawthorn Blvd and the property owner Joseph Yednock was present to make the appeal. He also assumed ownership during the process. He was present the day that the new sections were installed and his recollection of the condition of the tree roots in conjunction to the cause of the damage varied from the construction inspection notes.

Chairman Jones moved that the appeal be approved due to the differing opinions with the City being responsible for the cost of the improvements. Mayor Riggle seconded the motion and it was approved by a 2-0 vote.

The third appeal was for the properties at 121 and 125 W. Harrison St. The property owner, Michael Harter, who resides at 85 Limetree Dr., was present to present his appeal. Mr. Harter, based on the fact that he does not reside at either property, was not aware of the need to the improvements prior to receiving an invoice from the City. He would have made the repairs, at a reduced cost had he been aware of the need. He was also concerned with the damage to the newly installed sidewalk due to the turning and parking of vehicles at the intersection of S. Liberty St. and W. Harrison St. during discharge and pick up of students at Woodward Elementary School.

Chairman Jones moved to reduce the cost of the portion of the invoice Mr. Harter will be responsible to by 50% or to \$1,217.25. Motion seconded by Mayor Riggle and approved by a 2-0 vote.

Staff will also make contact with Mr. Harter with regard to options to remedy his concerns regarding the damage at the intersection.

Ross Sonnier of 195 Hawthorn Blvd was present to discuss repairs made at his property. He purchased the property in April 2014, and was unaware of the program.

Staff was not aware that this appeal would be presented, and therefore did not have all of the background information to make a presentation. This was placed on hold until the next meeting when information will be available for the committee.

6. UPDATE on AMR/AMI System

Public Service Director Dan Whited provided a summary recap of the information and presentation at the January meeting regarding the AMI/AMR System. He described the draft RFP that has been prepared and is currently under review. This will be refined and then be distributed to firms for proposals. The time frame for providing a recommendation is approximately six months.

7. PRESENTATION on W Central Ave/CSX Bridge

Project Engineer Jessica Omeroid presented a PowerPoint regarding the potential installation of an Over Height Vehicle Detection Warning System to assist with vehicular accidents at the W. Central Ave. CSX railroad overpass. The presentation explained the system, its operation, possible locations if installed, and the cost of the system. The City with working in conjunction with ODOT for possible funding of the system through a safety grant they offer.

Mayor Riggle moved to proceed with the submission of the grant application for funding for the installation. Chairman Jones seconded the motion and it was approved by a 2-0 vote.

8. UPDATE on Winter Snow and Ice Removal Activity

Public Works Director Bill Ferrigno provides a recap of snow removal activities that have occurred to date this season.

There was discussion with regard to a Snow Emergency designation to assist crews with removal of snow and also distribution of information to the public as to the method utilized when determining where snow removal commences when an event occurs.

9. STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Whited thanked committee members and City Council for the support they provide to members of the Public Service group in executing their daily activities.

10. MEMBER COMMENTS

Mayor Riggle thanked staff for all of their efforts.

Chairman Jones inquired as to the date of the Employee Breakfast and felt that comments regarding snow removal activity would be appropriate during the event.

11. ADJOURNMENT

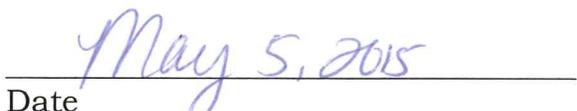
Mayor Riggle moved to adjourn and meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.



Chris Jones, Chairman



Clerk



Date