

**PUBLIC WORKS/PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE  
MOTION SUMMARY  
May 7, 2019**

ITEM 1. Roll Call

The Clerk called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

Members Present: Vice-Chairman Jim Browning and Chairman Chris Jones

Members Absent: Councilmember George Hellinger

City Staff Present: Bill Ferrigno, Public Works Director/City Engineer and Charles Dukes, Public Works Superintendent

ITEM 2. APPROVAL of the Motion Summary of the Public Works/Public Utilities Committee meeting held February 6, 2018 as recorded and transcribed.

**Motion:** Vice-Chairperson Browning moved to approve the Motion Summary of the Public Works/Public Utilities Committee meeting held February 6, 2018, seconded by Chairman Jones. Motion approved by a 2-0 vote.

ITEM 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Participation:

Brett Latta  
376 North Sandusky St.  
Delaware, Ohio

Mr. Latta questioned the timeline for road work on Union Street and traffic control measures. Mr. Ferrigno addressed Mr. Latta's concerns and provided information on the timeline and traffic control. Mr. Latta also informed staff that the signage on Panhandle Bridge is incorrect and it is not a national scenic river.

ITEM 4. UPDATE on Improvements to Shortcut Alley – Main Street Delaware

PRESENTORS:

Susie Bibler,  
Executive Director, Main Street Delaware  
20 East Winter Street  
Delaware, Ohio

Zach Price

Board Member, Main Street Delaware  
328 North Liberty Street  
Delaware, Ohio

Mrs. Bibler and Mr. Priced discussed the parking study that was completed for the downtown area and that park of the study focused on downtown walking areas. One area of focus that was identified for improvements was Short Cut Alley. Mrs. Bibler discussed efforts to have graffiti in this area removed. Mr. Priced reviewed the conceptual design and the plans to run a donation campaign for funding the project. He discussed a portion of cost for sidewalk repairs to the City and the different materials that could be used. Mr. Ferrigno recommended that work be outsourced to keep cost down. He discussed the option to request a supplemental appropriation or to add into the CIP. Chairman Jones and Vice-Chairman Browning both voiced their support for a supplemental for the project.

**Motion:** Vice-Chairman Browning recommended that the Shortcut Alley proposal be presented at the June Council meeting and provide additional background information and quotes, seconded by Chairman Jones. Motion approved by a 2-0 vote.

ITEM 5. DISCUSSION on Franklin Parking Lot – Dumpster Urban Art Project

Mr. Ferrigno discussed the screening option of dumpsters compared to public art on dumpsters. He discussed that due to conflict with business owners over dumpsters that the dumpsters in the lot were moved to one central area and that has helped to alleviate some issues. Mr. Jones requested input from Main Street Delaware on their preference of public arts on dumpsters. Mrs. Bibler and Mr. Price voiced their preference for the public art concept. Mrs. Bibler discussed that the Design Committee has recommended more public art areas in the downtown area and Mr. Price discussed the use of public art in the Short North area. Mr. Ferrigno discussed that there is less violations of dumping and throwing trash on the ground when not enclosed. Chairman Jones and Vice-Chairman Browning voiced their preference of the public art in this area.

ITEM 6. DISCUSSION of 5 Year Resurfacing Program – Local Street Approach

Mr. Ferrigno discussed how the recently approved State Gas Tax will affect the program as well as additional funding approved by Council to pave some local streets. The streets will be grouped in the same area to keep cost down. He reviewed roads projected to be completed in 2019 and 2020.

Chairman Jones requested a break at 6:50 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 6:51 p.m.

ITEM 7. DISCUSSION of 2019 Pavement Base Repair and Patching Program

Mr. Dukes discussed that street crews have started 10 hour shifts to have more productivity throughout the construction season and have identified 3275 square yards of base repair work that is needed, mainly on William and Central.

ITEM 8. REVIEW of 2019 Capital Improvement Projects – Schedule and Prioritization

Mr. Ferrigno provided a list of projects.

ITEM 9. DISCUSSION of Side Walk Maintenance Program

Mr. Ferrigno discussed that the SafeWalks Program was completed in 2016 and that there is still needs for repairs. He discussed looking at sidewalk repairs needs in conjunction with street repairs. As streets are identified for needs for repairs, staff will assess the sidewalk needs.

ITEM 10. DISCUSSION of Curb Repairs – Cost, Approach, & Funding

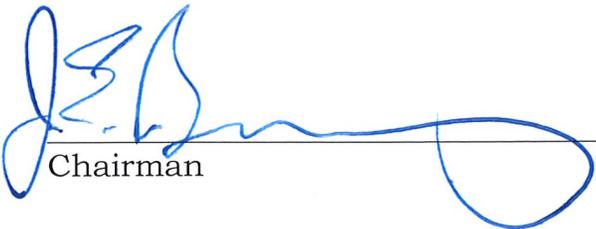
Mr. Ferrigno discussed that there is lack of money to repair curbs and the need to educate homeowners and HOA's that the curb is not the responsibility of the City and that there is not funding available. He discussed having Access Delaware to help communicate this issue to the public.

ITEM 11. STAFF COMMENTS

ITEM 12. MEMBER COMMENTS

ITEM 13. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion:** Vice-Chairman Browning motioned to adjourn the Public Works/Public Utilities Committee meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

  
Chairman

*Elaine McCloskey*  
Elaine McCloskey, Clerk