

Public Safety Meeting Minutes  
August 18, 2014

Call to Order: 5:32 P.M.

Members in attendance: Stacy Szukala, Andy Gonzalez

Also I attendance: Gib Snyder, Ron Szot, Steve Rees, Sue Chiappone  
Randy Woodbury, Tony Gugino, Al Zurawski, Mike Michalski, Bill  
Rivera.

Bids for paving went out and will be open next Wednesday. The list will be finalized as soon as the budget amount is complete. Using some HUD money towards paving is what DPW has been waiting for to move forward. The paving should be complete by the end of the season. Training was offered to DPW regarding regulations for future HUD funds.

CSX was contacted by Gugino again this morning to get written approval for painting of the underpass areas.(wing walls) Mural paintings was previously talked about. Szukala will reach out to the contact for painting, and update committee at next meeting.

Zoladz will be in the city no later than the 25<sup>th</sup>. The current contract is expired and will need to be rewritten. They will clean up the current brush pile. They needed an additional couple thousand dollars due to the wood chip prices going down. The list of spoils is still a concern for DPW. Making it clear, Szukala stated that the list was completely separate. Going forward DPW wants clear direction on spoils removal and where it should go. The current brush pile needs to be moved at the end of the month. Wright Park field area, Kochs field area, or Marsh Valve site were discussed.

Gugino wants all of us to suggest a new site. A list of spoils will be worked on after the mayor takes a look at it. These items on the list will no longer be able to be delivered and dumped on residential sites. ONLY pre approved sites will be considered. Charging contractors a dumping fee was also suggested from a resident to council. This would be difficult as there is no person stationed at Lucas Avenue to monitor dumping. Michalski

was against anything being moved to the first ward. The residents already put up with Sewer treatment smells, and shouldn't have to deal with rotting brush as well. Szukala stated were all here now, it needs to be decided today. Gonzalez was alright with first ward ball field also.

The animal shelter still has a few items to be fixed to pass the future inspection. Ken Sek will be back from vacation and will address the issues soon. Gugino suggested creating a building maintenance line for supplies.

The tree cutting list was requested by Szukala so that when residents call the list can be viewed.

Proposed DPW transfers were discussed. These all were ok by Council to present at next CC meeting. They will be discussed again at next Finance meeting if needed.

The street sign on the Corner of Main and Sixth, was put up on the wrong corner. It was put up on Maple/Sixth. Szukala requested it to be fixed As soon as possible.

Al Zurawski gave an update on Land Bank Properties. Progress is slow, but the properties are still being inspected for demo/ rehab. Szot voiced concerns over cost sharing and what city can/should be doing. The DLDC property was discussed and Szukala felt the city should not be bailing them out on another property. If the ownership of responsibility is not put on the DLDC, it never will. The group needs to do what they have been created to do. Szukala does not feel the group is making any progress. Michalski also questioned how property became possession of the group. Gonzalez voiced concerns over not having any DLDC meetings in quite awhile.

The number of cases in court right now for zoning is 3. Zurawski explained the law and what his office is allowed to do. Szukala has received several calls about a home in the fourth ward, and the homeowners have not been given a letter yet. Szukala continues to get complaints about homes and would like to see more progress.

Michalski asked about Wendy getting any training. Zurawski stated

she is currently taking some classes. The planning board and zoning boards were supposed to have taken training by the end of the year. Some members have complied and some have not.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:30. Motion by Gonzalez, second by Szukala.