



Village of Grantsburg

Public Works Committee Meeting

Monday, August 16, 2021

The Public Works Committee for the Village of Grantsburg met on Monday, August 16, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. at the Village Office, 316 S. Brad Street, Grantsburg, Wisconsin.

Present: Chairman/President Terrance Kucera, Trustee Leo Janke, Trustee Hank Java

Others present: Director of Public Works Jerry Konobeck, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Allison Longhenry, Police Chief Dan Wald, Mike Hoefs-Burnett County Highway Commissioner, Greg Marsten-Burnett County Sentinel, Jerry McNally

Call to Order Chairman/President Kucera called the Public Works Committee meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Burnett County Salt Shed Mike Hoefs explained the current situation with storing salt/sand in the Village on a parcel owned by Burnett County. The current shed does not meet required standards for storing salt/sand. The WI Department of Transportation (WI DOT) has allocated \$225,000 for Burnett County to find a location and build a new salt storage shed. The County's current parcel is too small to accommodate the size shed desired. There also needs to be equipment storage near the salt shed to store a County-owned loader and dump truck. Hoefs addressed several issues the Village presented in previous discussions. Hoefs informed the committee he had added overhead doors on the south side of the shed, had reduced the size to 53 ft X 64 ft, brought color samples for various shed options and would plant trees on the west side of the shed requested to be located in the northwest corner of the current Village shop property. Trustee Janke questioned the damage that could occur to the current Village shop and equipment from the salt dust, DPW Konobeck questioned whether there could be higher sidewalls on the salt shed, Trustee Java asked who would own the property that the salt shed would be on and President Kucera questioned whether this was the best place for location of the salt shed. Hoefs indicated there has been no rust or effects from a shed the County has in Danbury although any equipment stored within the shed rusts in a very short period of time, he will look into higher sidewalls and reported the County is looking into whether they would want to purchase the property from the Village or lease the property. Hoefs also let the committee know how common it is to have a salt shed located in the downtown area. The County would store one of their dump trucks and a loader in the current Village shop and would pay the Village for storage based on the area used. Discussion continued about if there were other lots that may work as a location for the salt shed and whether the WI DOT would grant an extension of time to the June 30, 2022 completion deadline. One possible location discussed was north of where Brad Street ends by the current Village shop. Hoefs indicated he had already looked at many other sites and none provided the necessary equipment storage area. He indicated he would call the WI DOT about an extension but did not think they would extend the deadline. He thanked the committee for their consideration and left the meeting. Jerry McNally spoke in opposition to the Village shop property but asked about a Village owned parcel on E. Madison Avenue located between two properties owned by Northwestern WI Electric Company This Village-owned parcel is across the street and one parcel to the east of the current Burnett County

owned parcel. The committee thought this would be a great location with the lot being large enough, the ground being flat and with it being near the County's current lot which could continue to be used for equipment storage. C/T Meyer was asked to email this information to Hoefs.

Electrical service to Well #3 DPW Konobeck explained the current electrical service to Well #3 is overhead and in discussions with the electric contractor, underground service would serve the building better than the overhead service. DPW presented a quote from Northwestern WI Electric Company for \$1,306.22 to change the electric service from overhead to underground. **Motion by Trustee Janke, second by Trustee Java to recommend the Village Board approve the quote received from Northwestern WI Electric Company for \$1,306.22 to change the electric service to Well #3 located on W. Harrison and N. Park Street from overhead to underground. Motion carried unanimously.**

Adjournment. Chairman/Trustee Kucera adjourned the Public Works Committee meeting at 4:50 p.m.

Sheila Meyer
Clerk/Treasurer