

City of Washington
Public Work Committee
Monday, August 10, 2015 – **Minutes**

CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM
301 WALNUT STREET

Present: Aldermen Mike Brownfield, Jim Gee, and Carol Moss

Also Present: Ed Andrews, Public Works Director; Jon Oliphant, Planning & Development Director; Kevin Schone, Public Works Manager; Alderman Bob Brucks and Mayor Gary Manier.

Alderman Mike Brownfield called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

1. Alderman Wishing to be Heard on Non-Agenda Item: None.
2. Citizens Wishing to be Heard on Non-Agenda Item: None.
3. Approval of Minutes – The committee unanimously voted to approve the July 20, 2015 meeting minutes.
4. Business Items:
 - A. Two-Year Engineering Consultant Services Recommendations – Following previous discussion with the committee, staff recommended that two-year general contracts be established with various engineering firms for specific task orders. These are based on past services to the City and recent Quality Based Submittals selection submittals. The committee voted to accept the list as presented by staff.
 - B. Detention Basins – There has been some questions about the ownership and maintenance responsibilities of certain detention basins in the city. Staff will take a comprehensive look at all of the basins and more accurately determine which ones are the city's responsibility. GIS will help provide maps for the public works employees.
 - C. Fayette Court Median/Island – The committee considered whether to keep a median/island at the end of Fayette Court. After some discussion, the committee recommended to remove the median due to safety and maintenance concerns.
 - D. IL Route 8 Sidewalks – IDOT has asked for the City's input to help resolve an issue with exhibited surface spalling on some sidewalks on IL Route 8 west of McClugage Road. The City was a cost-share participant in the inclusion of sidewalks and the upsizing of storm sewer to help relieve some of the burden on the School Street detention basin. The contractor (UCM/RA Cullinan) and IDOT will walk the sidewalks and City staff will determine more definitive lengths of sidewalk that need to be replaced.

5. Other Business:

- A. Mowing of the Dieble Road detention basin was discussed. The City relies upon assistance from the Township to brush hog the larger basin, but because of the reliance of a tie-in to the old field tile, the base elevation is still standing water. While staff has prepared draft plans to reroute the field tile, a level of review with the LOMR project is to occur.
- B. Staff indicated that now that the LOMR project for the east side of the city has been authorized by the City Council, work prior to the submittals to IDNR and FEMA will take about 2-3 months.
- C. An update on the progress of the curbs / sidewalks were Devonshire discussed.
- D. Staff updated the committee that the new street sweeper will be delivered around October 15.
- E. An update on the landfilling of the desiccated dredging at STP#2 was discussed. This work is still pending, but in-house resources are lined up to assist with the trucking and installation of the silt fence.
- F. Alderman Gee passed around photos of decorative sidewalks on Washington Street in Peoria to use as an example of what can be done with sidewalks around the Square.
- G. The US Post Office has recently moved to having mail trees to combine individual mailboxes into fewer areas within a subdivision. Public works staff will use caution when plowing snow around these.

Motion to adjourn at approximately 6:03 p.m.