

CITY OF CROSSLAKE
PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2022
4:00 P.M. – CITY HALL

Pursuant to due notice and call the Public Works Commission held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 in City Hall. The following Commission Members were present: Tom Swenson, Mic Tchida, and Bob Frey. Gordon Wagner and Tim Berg were absent. Also in attendance were City Administrator Mike Lyonais, Public Works Director Pat Wehner, City Clerk Char Nelson, City Engineer Phil Martin, and Council Member John Andrews. There were six people in the audience.

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 P.M. by Tom Swenson.
2. A MOTION WAS MADE BY BOB FREY, SECONDED BY TOM SWENSON TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 1, 2022 MEETING MINUTES. AYES: ALL.
3. Jane Haubrich, Mark Erickson, and Michael Rancour, representatives of the Goodrich and O'Brien Lake Association (GOLA), appeared before the Commission to get direction on how to request getting a walking/biking trail on Bonnie Lakes Road. The GOLA representatives had safety concerns with the increase of fulltime residents and vacationers in the area that use Bonnie Lakes Road for walking (sometimes with children and dogs), biking, and running. There is no shoulder on the road, there are visibility issues and there are many curves. They have seen many near misses and want to prevent any type of accident. Tom Swenson noted that part of the road is in Fairfield Township. A discussion ensued regarding grant programs and how the project could be funded. The next steps for the representatives would be to go to the City Council and Fairfield Township.
4. Gregg Van Lith of 15594 Birch Narrows Road addressed the Commission and explained the drainage issues to his property after the road was reconstructed this summer. Mr. Van Lith stated that the contractor did not replace what was removed and the property adjacent to the road looks terrible. Mr. Van Lith showed the Commission pictures of his property. Mr. Van Lith suggested that rip rap or mulch could slow down the runoff and redirect the water. Phil Martin stated that the Van Lith's had mulch out to the shoulder of the road before the project and that it was not replaced because the City does not fix private property that has been placed in the City's right of way. Tom Swenson suggested that Mr. Van Lith bring his concern to the City Council if he wants to pursue the matter.
5. The Commission reviewed a memo dated September 1, 2022 from Phil Martin regarding update on projects. The Commission discussed the status of Harbor Lane and the detour roads. Phil Martin stated that he is working with property owners on Harbor Lane to obtain easements. Tom Swenson reported that the Council agreed to put \$250,000 in next year's budget for road maintenance rather than trying to reconstruct roads. There is also money in the 2023 Budget for crack filling and chip sealing. A discussion ensued regarding CSAH 66 Sanitary Sewer Extension Projection delays and liquidated damages. Phil Martin noted that

Moonlite Square and Car Wash have hooked up to the sewer system, but Moonlite Bay has not.

6. The Commission reviewed a letter dated August 26, 2022 from Crow Wing County Highway Department regarding 2023 Bituminous Seal Coat. If the City wants to participate jointly with the County in one large project, the City must notify the County by November 25, 2022.
7. Included in the packet for information was a map from Tremolo Communications showing where they planned to install fiber in 2023.
8. Patrick Wehner gave a brief update on bridge maintenance and stated that when the supplies are delivered, staff will perform the required maintenance on the bridges.
9. Patrick Wehner stated that many residents are asking for the yard waste disposal site to be open on weekdays. If the County is agreeable, Mr. Wehner will suggest that the Council change the hours to Monday through Friday 6:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. and Saturday 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Tom Swenson asked the status of the property adjacent next to the sewer plant. Mike Lyonais stated that the City purchased the land and gave the owner a couple years to move out.

10. Bob Frey asked the status of the Oxidation Building project. Patrick Wehner stated that there are two roofs that are failing and will need to be repaired before work on the Oxidation Building can start.

Phil Martin gave a brief update on the property at 11722 Manhattan Point Blvd and stated that the owner has complained that water drains into his yard since the road was redone in 2018. Mr. Martin stated that the house is down a steep slope and the only fix would be a large culvert. Mr. Martin stated that there would be cost associated with the culvert and obtaining an easement and stated he thinks the property always had water issues. Mic Tchida lives near the property and stated that the road didn't change much, the property always sloped, and the property owner should fix it.

11. A MOTION WAS MADE BY MIC TCHIDA AND SECONDED BY TOM SWENSON TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 5:30 P.M. AYES: ALL.



Charlene Nelson
City Clerk