

CITY OF ELKHORN
Municipal Services and Utilities Committee Minutes
First Floor Conference Room, 9 S. Broad Street, Elkhorn, Wisconsin

January 11, 2016

Municipal Services and Utilities Committee was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Alderman Huss followed by Roll Call.

Roll Call

Present: Gregory Huss, Michael Kluck, Hoss Rehberg

Also present: Mayor Brian Olson, Alderman Tom Myrin, Administrator Sam Tapson, City Clerk Cairie Virrueta, Public Works Operations Manager Marty Nuss, Utility Director John Murphy, Recreation Director Wendy Murphy, City Engineer Paul Vanhenkelum, and Elkhorn Newspaper Correspondent Kellen Olshefski

Discussion on Westlawn Road Condition

DPW Manager Nuss said there are no road projects for the year, but will add Westlawn repairs. Alderman Rehberg was concerned with putting Westlawn at the top of the list when there are other roads in worse condition and have more use. Mayor Olson said a portion of Westlawn was repaired but the whole road couldn't be done due to cost. Administrator Tapson said street repairs are in the budget for this year and Westlawn is included.

Proctor Drive Improvement Plans

City Engineer VanHenkelum said plans are ready to bid Proctor Drive. He said the project will be advertised next week and he will bring the bids back to be reviewed by the committee.

Continued Discussion on Yard Waste Collection

The committee continued discussion of in-house leaf collection and associated costs for manned leaf vac and trailer mounted leaf vac collection. The in-house costs were higher than contracted bagged leaf service, mainly due to costs to buy and maintain equipment. Administrator Tapson said a decision needs to be made in May. Mayor Olson said more information was needed on other services that do curb vac. The committee will continue discussions.

Tasch Park/Sunset Park T-ball Field Options

DPW Manager provided options to put two T-ball fields at Sunset Park, upgrades to the field at Tasch and replacing the playground equipment at Tasch for the same price as constructing two fields at Tasch. He said DPW could do the work at Tasch with the backstop by others. Administrator Tapson said this helps maintain the neighborhood park feel at Tasch and putting the T-ball fields at Sunset Park allows users to have access to the concession stand and facilities. Rec Director Meyer said gaining an extra field is better and having money to redo Tasch Park was important. Mayor Olson said the playground equipment could be scaled down, similar to Broad St., while providing space for soccer and flag football. The site was previously owned by the county and there may be concerns with extensive excavation. Administrator Tapson said playground equipment is modular and could be built out. Alderman Rehberg and Kluck feel this is a good option although were frustrated it was not brought forward sooner. Alderman Huss asked that exact numbers for this option be brought back to the next meeting.

Adjournment

Motion (Rehberg/Kluck) to adjourn at 5:11 p.m.

Cairie L. Virrueta
City Clerk