

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**  
**APRIL 13, 2009**

*Chairman Tad Whitchurch called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.*

*Trustee members present: Linda Melton, Sally Hollembeak, Stephen Appell, Scott Kramer*

*Also present: President Jim Claeysen, Joe Caveny, Nancy Belt, James Coppernoll, Denny McMullen*

*Scott Kramer moved to adopt the amended agenda adding the following:*

*Recycling Barn Material*

*Kegel Harley-Davidson; American Biker Jam Event*

*Concern Citizen; Water in Basement*

*Final Report; Easter Event*

*Sally Hollembeak seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.*

*Sally Hollembeak moved to approve the minutes of March 23, 2009. Scott Kramer seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.*

**CITIZENS VOICE**

*James Coppernoll asked Dan Schuler to please come forward and address the committee. Mr. Schuler informed the committee that he has a business that dismantles old barns and recycles the wood into furniture. He also stated that his company would dispose of unwanted materials such as the roof, nails, & siding, but would not remove the concrete. The area would be secured during the month of dismantling and would provide the village with a liability insurance policy. Tad Whitchurch thanked Mr. Schuler for attending and stated that the village board is in the process of receiving input from the cherry valley residents with ideas and concerns with what to do with the barns, but would keep him in mind when a decision is finally made.*

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**

*Denny McMullen stated that he provided the committee with a report dated April 3, 2009 for the Mill Road improvements using \$48,250.00 Federal AARA funds. Denny said the village can use any type of funding for their share of \$60,520.00 making this projects total \$120,000.00.*

*Stephen Appell asked President Claeysen to review the MFT account to fund a portion of this project. Denny informed the committee that the IDOT bid letting is schedule for July 31, 2009.*

**Sally Hollembeak moved to send to the April 21, 2009 village board meeting authorizing CES, Inc. to submit to the Illinois Department of Transportation bid documents for the Mill Road improvements. Stephen Appell seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.**

**ELECTRIC ENERGY CONTRACT**

*Joe Caveny presented the committee with MidAmerican Energy agreement showing the new energy costs at \$0.0492. This is approximately a 12 percent reduction from the previous contract.*

*Joe stated that the biggest problem is the electricity component prices for capacity and utility delivery costs. Joe said he has worked out a plan that would save the village approximately \$2,800.00 a month by not running the wells between the hours of 9:00 am and 6:00 pm. The village will need to reprogram the SCADA system to facilitate the new operating scheme. Joe said he does not have the quote from Wunderlich Malec at this time. President Claeysen asked that the quote be presented at the April 21, 2009 village board meeting.*

**PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING REPAIRS**

*Joe Caveny informed the committee that the green maintenance building repairs are completed. Joe said he will have a change order reflecting the costs to be added to the additional payables at the April 21, 2009 village board meeting.*

**KEGEL'S SPECIAL EVENT REQUEST**

*Joe Caveny presented the committee with a letter from Kegel's requesting the village to set-up blockades to block off the frontage road that circles around the side of their property for the June 13, 2009 "Great American Biker Jam Event". Stephen Appell moved that to approve this request. Linda Melton seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.*

**CONCERN RESIDENT**

*Scott Kramer stated that the resident at 154 S. Lawrence Street has complained that he continuously has water in his basement. Joe Caveny stated that this section of the village is in the flood plain and is known to have a high water table. Denny McMullen agreed with Joe's statement that due to excessive rain fall you can observe standing water in the field by the library.*

**130 SOUTH LAWRENCE STREET**

*Joe Caveny presented the water sampling reports for 130 S. Lawrence Street. The final results of outside water samples and inside water samples are within EPA requirements. It was the consensus of the committee to send a letter to Mrs. Gorbet explaining the water sample report.*

**HIRE FULL-TIME PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEE**

*Joe Caveny recommended hiring Todd Stuehler to fill the vacant full-time public works employee position. Sally Hollembeak moved to send to the village board to hire Todd Stuehler to fill the vacant full-time public works maintenance I position. Linda Melton seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.*

**SE CONNECTION BIKE PATH**

*Joe Caveny presented the committee with an agreement between Winnebago County and Village of Cherry Valley for the SE Connection Bike Path. Joe said back in September 22, 2008 he presented the public works committee with an addendum to the engineering agreement adding additional engineering costs of \$4,019.45 for the construction of the SE bike path for a grade crossing at South Mall Drive and Harrison Avenue. Stephen Appell moved to send to the village board authorizing President Jim Claeysen to sign the Winnebago County SE Connection Bike Path addendum to pay the additional engineering costs of \$4,109.45. Linda Melton seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.*

**EASTER CANDY SCRAMBLE**

*Scott Kramer announced that this years Easter candy scramble was very successful.*

*Sally Hollembeak moved to adjourn at 7:49 pm. Stephen Appell seconded. Motion carried by voice vote.*

*Recorded by: Village Clerk, Nancy L. Belt*

*Public Works minutes approved by Chairman, Tad Whitchurch on April 16, 2009*