

**VILLAGE OF HINSDALE  
ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES  
MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2011**

Chairman Laura LaPlaca called the meeting of the Environment and Public Services Committee to order at 5:05 P.M., Monday June 13, 2011, in Memorial Hall of the Memorial Building, 19 East Chicago Avenue, Hinsdale, IL.

PRESENT: Chairman Laura LaPlaca, Trustee Doug Geoga,  
Trustee William Haarlow, Trustee Bob Saigh

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Dave Cook, Village Manager; George Franco, Director of Public Services; Dan Deeter, Village Engineer; Sean Gascoigne, Village Planner; John Finnell, Village Forester; Dan Hopkins, Village Horticulturist.

**Approval of Minutes – May 09, 2011**

The EPS Committee reviewed the minutes from the May 09, 2011 meeting. Chairman LaPlaca added comments to the minutes. Trustee Saigh motioned for approval of the May 09, 2011 minutes. Trustee Haarlow seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Public Services Monthly Report**

Mr. Franco updated the committee on the impact of the last storm, the Village has started Elm injections, the Village Tree Survey continues. Mr. Franco presented the Village's road patching program. Chairman LaPlaca asked staff to look at road repairs on difficult sections of First and Eighth Streets.

Chairman LaPlaca asked Mr. Finnell to give the committee information on the tree at 416 W. Hickory Street. Mr. Finnell had reviewed the issues concerning this tree which is on private property. Mr. Finnell and Mr. Franco met with the home owner. It was determined that the tree would not survive the demolition and construction of the new home. Ms. Patti Davis, 211 N. Madison, addressed the committee to express her concern over the loss of this tree. Trustee Saigh asked questions concerning other trees on the property.

Mr. Joe Ott of Metra addressed the committee concerning the "snowplow turn-around" at the east end of the new Highland Station platform. The plans call for restoration of the area after construction. This week the contractor will be planting grass to stabilize the disturbed slopes. Mr. George Kanary, 509 Highland Road, Ms. Jean Silinski, 511 Highland Road, and Ms. Lois Mejdrich, 515 Highland Road, addressed the committee. The Committee requested that the Metra restoration plan would provide appropriate

measures to diminish the appearance of the “turn-around” support columns. Suggestion raised included planting ivy or evergreen trees. Responding to Mr. Franco’s question, Mr. Ott stated that Metra will restore any packing lot damage at the end of the project.

### **Engineering Monthly Report**

Mr. Deeter highlighted recent rain events as well as activities at the Veeck Park Wet Weather Facility, Oak Street Bridge, 2011 Resurfacing Project, Chestnut Street Project, 50/50 sidewalk program, and the Woodlands Infrastructure Improvements. Mr. Deeter noted that IDOT will be opening bids for ramp restoration for on Illinois Route 83 at 55<sup>th</sup> Street and Ogden Avenue. These improvements could inconvenience residents with ramp closings and night construction. Staff will provide residents more information concerning as it becomes available.

### **Presentation by Residents Concerning the Bodin Alley Drainage Problems**

Mrs. Lee Ann Yu presented a petition to the Committee concerning the opportunity to construct a storm sewer and pave in the alley north of Chestnut between Bodin & Monroe Streets in conjunction with the Chestnut Street Project. Per the Village Localized Drainage Program, the residents would pay for paving while the Village would pay for the storm sewer. There would be cost efficiency to constructing the alley in conjunction with the Chestnut project. Chairman LaPlaca directed staff to determine if there are other residents in the vicinity with similar alley concerns/needs.

### **Woodlands Green Infrastructure Improvements Concept Plan Review by HR Green**

Chairman LaPlaca introduced this agenda item. She noted that this concept plan will be presented to residents of the Woodlands on June 22, 2011 at KLM. Mr. Scott Creech, HR Green Company, addressed the Committee concerning the concept plan and engineer’s preliminary costs. While the concept plan is presented in three phases, Chairman LaPlaca noted that the Village had not determined the timing or phasing that best meets engineering and financial needs. Bill Seith thanked the committee for their efforts to present a solution to the Woodland’s infrastructure issues.

### **To Approve Agreements for the Implementation of GIS – Geographic Information Systems**

Chairman LaPlaca introduced this agenda item. Mr. John Thomey, Senior Consultant for the Municipal GIS Partners, Inc., addressed the group concerning the GIS Consortium. A discussion followed. Trustee Geoga questioned Mr. Thomey and the staff concerning the cost neutrality of the GIS system. Trustee Haarlow asked about the security of the data in the “cloud” environment. Staff was directed to obtain more information to address these concerns. The Committee will address this issue in the July EPS meeting.

**To Award the Chestnut Street Improvements Project to Martam Construction, Inc. in the Amount Not To Exceed \$3,728,195.50.** Chairman LaPlaca introduced this agenda item. Trustee Geoga motioned to approve. Trustee Saigh seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**To Award the 2011 Resurfacing Program to Brothers Asphalt Paving, Inc. in the Amount Not to Exceed \$1,312,577.80.** Chairman LaPlaca introduced this agenda item. Since the Brothers Asphalt bid was under budget, Chairman LaPlaca asked staff to provide a list of additional infrastructure improvements that could be added to the project. Trustee Geoga motioned to approve. Trustee Saigh seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**To Award the 2011 50/50 Sidewalk Program Bid (IDOT Sec. No. 11-00000-01-GM) to D'Land Construction in the Amount Not to Exceed \$60,796.95.** Chairman LaPlaca introduced this agenda item. Trustee Geoga motioned to approve. Trustee Saigh seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**To Award the Engineering Services for the Design Engineering of the 2012 Road Resurfacing Project to J.J. Benes and Associates, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$63,192.00.** Chairman LaPlaca introduced this agenda item. Trustee Geoga motioned to approve. Trustee Saigh seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**To Adopt An Ordinance Establishing Prevailing Wages for Public Works in the Village of Hinsdale, Cook and DuPage Counties, Illinois.** Chairman LaPlaca introduced this agenda item. Trustee Saigh motioned to approve. Trustee Haarlow seconded. Trustees Haarlow, Saigh, and Chairman LaPlaca voted "Aye". Trustee Geoga voted "No". The motion passed.

### **Adjournment**

With no further issues to be brought before the Committee, Trustee Saigh moved to adjourn. Trustee Haarlow seconded. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Deeter  
Village Engineer