

Village of Germantown Hills
Street Committee Meeting Minutes

October 1, 2020 5:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Minutes Approval

Chairman Todd Rice called the street meeting to order at 5:00 pm and roll call was taken.

Village President/Trustee	Roll Call	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Todd Rice – Chair	Present	Y	Y	Y				
Mike Hinrichsen – Village President	Present	Y	Y	Y				
Jim O’Laughlin	Present	Y	Y	Y				
Dick Hartman	Present	Y	Y	Y				
Julia Miller	Absent	-	Y	-				

Also, in attendance:

Rich Brecklin, Superintendent of Public Works
 Scott DeSplinter, Village Engineer
 Marty Clinch, Village Trustee

a. August 26, 2019-Street Committee Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Mike Hinrichsen to approve the street committee meeting minutes from August 26, 2019. The motion was seconded by Jim O’Laughlin. **Motion passed #1.**

2. Discussion and recommendation to the Village Board on approval of the sidewalk along Woodland Knolls Road in front of State Farm and the funding of the sidewalk

Scott DeSplinter reported they looked at the construction of a sidewalk from Holland Road along Woodland Knolls Road in front of State Farm Insurance building. He noted due to the grading and drainage the best way is to add curb and gutter. There will be some minor drainage improvements required. There will also be a small piece of sidewalk on Holland to connect to the existing sidewalk with a crossing. They are looking at making this as safe as can be. The preliminary cost estimate is \$60,000. He noted it is higher because of the curb and gutter. Scott noted they looked at the schedule and even though he knows the Village would like to move on this soon he recommends to take bids for an early spring construction schedule.

Julia Miller joined the meeting at 5:08 p.m.

Jim O’Laughlin recommended an April 30th completion date ahead of construction contracts that will be starting in the spring.

Todd Rice recommended using Business District Funds as you can only use these funds within the Business District.

Ann Sasso stated the present balance is \$96,000 and the Village is receiving between \$8,000-10,000 a month in the Business District Fund.

A motion was made by Jim O’Laughlin to recommend to the Village Board on the approval of the sidewalk along Woodland Knolls Road in front of State Farm and the funding of the sidewalk to be out of the Business District Fund with a completion date of April 30, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mike Hinrichsen. **Motion passed #2.**

3. Discussion and recommendation to the Village Board on the Somerset Drive sidewalk

Todd Rice noted previously there were several options on the Somerset sidewalk plan.

Scott DeSplinter discussed the proposed plan of a sidewalk on the north side of the road from Westminster to Arbor Vitae with an estimated cost of \$430,000. There are some areas with some poor drainage so they will look at alternatives and bring costs back to the committee.

Rich Brecklin stated it might be a good time to install a table top to help with some of the speeding through the intersection of Westminster and Somerset.

Julia Miller left the meeting at 5:22 p.m.

The committee discussed a 4 way stop at the intersection.

Scott DeSplinter discussed some alternatives for the separators, which included parking blocks or delineator posts. The committee discussed driveways, mailboxes and culverts that would be impacted by the sidewalk. Scott noted we would probably want a push button flashing crosswalk at Arbor Vitae.

The committee agreed a public hearing would be needed to talk about some of these issues with the residents along Somerset.

4. Discussion on Village Equipment

Todd Rice stated he had been talking with Rich on some equipment needs looking forward to next year. Due to yearly repairs the thought is to put a new back hoe and skid steer into the budget next year. This would save on costs for different projects if we can rent an attachment and do it ourselves. This will be discussed later next year once we get closer to budget time and have better cost estimates.

5. Adjournment-A motion was made by Jim O’Laughlin to adjourn the meeting at 5:38 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mike Hinrichsen. **Motion passed #3.**

Ann Sasso, Village Clerk