

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SHELBY
SIDEWALK COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2014 IN THE LOWER LEVEL
CONFERENCE ROOM, 52700 VAN DYKE, SHELBY TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN.

The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m. by Craig Cowper.

Members Present: Craig Cowper, Phil Lauwers, Stan Grot, Susan Rohall

Members Absent: Mary Beth Zinn (excused)

Also Present: Carol Fraser, Resident – 14155 Hibiscus Drive
Shannon Filarecki, Township Engineer's Office

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Grot, supported by Lauwers, to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2014 meeting as submitted.

Motion carried.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Ms. Fraser received a letter from Fazal Khan regarding defective sidewalks on 25 Mile Road which abuts to her easement. She was notified of the Shelby Township Sidewalk Replacement Program as well. She was surprised that it is her responsibility and taken aback of the choices given to her with the timeframe to replace the sidewalks.

She received a bill in the amount of \$629.00; two neighbors each received a bill in the amount of \$2,200.00.

Ms. Filarecki stated what she received was not a bill. It was an estimate should the Township contractor have to do the work. She was advised that she is more than welcome to get her own contractor.

Ms. Filarecki further stated approximately 100 letters were sent out primarily to residents with sidewalks which have hairline cracks, reverse pitch, width and spalling issues. There are another 300 more to send still this year, however a lot of them may end up being on the watch list. These are just from the east/west mile roads and Van Dyke.

The Township does not receive any funding for roads or sidewalks. Cities and villages receive state and federal funding to be used toward non-motorized pedestrian traffic.

Ms. Filarecki asked Ms. Fraser to call her tomorrow. She will pull the site report, and more than likely if it is a hairline crack, can give her a second letter and put her on the watch list.

Further discussion was held including questions of Ms. Fraser regarding the Sidewalk Replacement Program.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Ms. Filarecki stated that Ms. Thurber did not have anything to report at this time.

Mr. Cowper asked for a status on the 5500 Mound Road project. Ms. Filarecki stated that it is still on the schedule for this year, but has not gotten it bid out yet.

Mr. Cowper asked about the area of the old Farmer Jack at 25 Mile Road and Shelby. There is supposedly some cement work being done there. He mentioned it has not been completed as of yet. He will take some pictures and send them to Ms. Filarecki and Ms. Thurber. Ms. Filarecki stated this may be part of the Macomb Orchard Trail pocket park, which is being done in phases. Mr. Cowper asked her to look into it and give the committee a follow up report.

TOWNSHIP PLANNER'S REPORT

Mr. Wynn was not present.

OLD BUSINESS

a. 2014 Master Priority List Review

Nothing was discussed under this item.

b. Engineer Invoices Review and Approve

Mr. Cowper mentioned that there were no invoices to approve.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Discussion of Four Seasons Home Owners Association Request

Mr. Cowper mentioned a resident contacted him regarding the Four Seasons Home Owners Association. He spoke with Ms. Thurber about it also. The issue is cars are driving off the roadway into the sidewalk area. The section is between 25 Mile and Mound Road. The road curves a bit with loose gravel on the shoulder, and vehicles are traveling at a high rates of speed which is causing vehicles to lose control.

Ms. Filarecki stated it appears that a bypass lane may be needed in this area. Mr. Cowper mentioned this is not something the committee has control over. She will contact the Macomb County Road Commission about this.

b. Fazal Kahn Update on Sidewalk Maintenance Program

Ms. Filarecki updated the committee on the progress of the program. Initial inspections have been completed for this year. All of the mile roads and Van Dyke are done. Over 98 letters were sent out. The first four days of inspection covered three of the mile roads with 420 squares of sidewalk that were identified as fitting the list of replacement criteria.

This fall inspections will be done on the north/south streets. In February, the committee will be sending out the remainder of the letters from this year and the inspections this fall.

c. Discussion of SEMCOG Plan for 2015 (Update committee on planned development)

Mr. Cowper removed this item from the agenda.

d. Update Committee on Software Purchase by Committee for Maintenance Program

Mr. Cowper notified the committee that it has purchased additional programming to be used with the Township BS&A software.

CORRESPONDENCE

a. Review of correspondence with committee.

This item was discussed earlier.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Lauwers, supported by Rohall, to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Craig Cowper, Chairman

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