

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SHELBY  
SIDEWALK COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2014 IN THE LOWER LEVEL  
CONFERENCE ROOM, 52700 VAN DYKE, SHELBY TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN.

The meeting was called to order at 5:07 p.m. by Craig Cowper.

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

Members Absent: **Gus Pikula (excused)**, Mary Beth Zinn (resigned)

Also Present: Shannon Filarecki, Township Engineer's Office  
Ray Breederland (resident)

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION** by Lauwers, supported by Rohall, to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2014 meeting as submitted.

Motion carried.

### **BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

Mr. Breederland questioned the status of the 5500 Mound Road sidewalk project near the railroad track. Mr. Cowper stated that they presented a bid for the bridge, and they are awaiting footing designs for the bridge to be finished to proceed with the rest of the process.

Mr. Breederland asked if anything is being done for sidewalks near Monfort School. Mr. Cowper stated that the plans have been put on hold and the committee will revisit at a future time if it comes back to the committee. Mr. Breederland encouraged that the committee continue to review that area as there are many school children and pedestrian safety is an issue. Mr. Cowper stated that the homeowners in the area were not fond of building sidewalks in that area. The committee at that time decided to receive and file. However, the committee will continue to look at this issue as they go forward.

Mr. Breederland also inquired about the Roberts School area. There are three (3) lots next to the school that do not have sidewalks. The committee came to the conclusion that this area is part of the Macomb Orchard Trail. The committee was hoping that the Macomb Orchard Trail would take up the project, but no action was been taken. The lots are owned by individual owners, so the other course of action would be to have the individual owners do their own special assessment and start the process on their own to get a sidewalk there without the Sidewalk Committee. Regarding the Macomb Orchard Trail, future discussion in conjunction with Oakland County may need to occur.

### **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Mr. Cowper stated that the updates on 5500 Mound Road were already discussed.

Regarding easements, the DPW sent easements back to redraw them all. Mr. Cowper inquired on the timeline status for this issue. Mr. Cowper stated that Schoenherr Road is a concern. Ms. Filarecki will check on the status of the progress and get back to the committee.

No invoices received yet.

### **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 review at this time.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **a. Proposed Sidewalk Ordinance**

A meeting was held a few weeks ago regarding a proposed sidewalk ordinance and changing the current sidewalk ordinance. This included getting rid of the Sidewalk Repair Fund as it is obsolete; also, add wording to the obligations and responsibilities due to the maintenance program. Questions can be directed to Mr. Cowper and/or Ms. Filarecki. No motion is necessary to proceed. Mr. Cowper wants to ensure the committee's agreement with the changes to proceed to the Board of Trustees to be published and amended as stated by the Board of Trustees. Committee members can submit questions and/or changes to Ms. Filarecki and/or Mr. Cowper.

#### **b. Ponding Issues**

The Township/Building Director would like the sidewalk committee to share in the cost of \$700 with the homeowner at 2115 – 24 Mile Road due to sinking flags and ponding water. This is not part of the contractor's warranty and is considered outside the responsibilities of the property owner. Approval would be needed to provide those funds. Ms. Filarecki stated that this is not part of the original project list. The culvert was never installed in the first-place.

**MOTION** by Grot, supported by Lauwers, to approve the 2115 – 24 Mile Road sidewalk issue not to exceed \$700 for the repair.

Motion carried.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

#### **a. Review of correspondence with committee.**

There was no correspondence to discuss.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

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Craig Cowper, Chairman

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