

CITY OF
WEST CHICAGO

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

Approved March 5, 2020

MINUTES

INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

February 6, 2020 7:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of a Quorum. Chairman Beifuss called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Roll call found Aldermen James Beifuss, Heather Brown, Sandra Dimas, Matt Garling, Alton Hallett, and Noreen Ligino-Kubinski present. Alderman Jeanne Short arrived after roll call at 7:05 P.M.

Staff present included Director of Public Works Robert Flatter, Utility Superintendent Rocky Horvath, and Administrative Assistant Ashley Heidorn. Also in attendance was resident Paul Kubinski.

2. Approval of Minutes

A. Infrastructure Committee Minutes of December 5, 2019. Alderman Hallett made a motion, seconded by Alderman Garling to approve the Meeting Minutes of December 5, 2019.

Voting Yea: Aldermen Beifuss, Dimas, Garling, Hallett, and Ligino-Kubinski.

Voting Nay: 0. Abstains: Alderman Brown.

3. Public Participation / Presentations. None.

4. Items for Consent. Alderman Beifuss requested discussion on Consent Item E. **Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Brown to approve:**

- A. Ordinance No. 20-O-0001 – Authorizing the Disposal of Surplus Equipment, Stock Inventory, and/or Personal Property Owned By the City of West Chicago
- B. Resolution No. 20-R-0002 – A Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by the City of West Chicago Relating to FY2020 MFT Estimate of Maintenance Costs
- C. Resolution No. 20-R-0006 – Contract Amendment #1 & First Extension – Classic Landscape, Ltd. for Right-of-Way Maintenance Program
- D. Resolution No. 20-R-0007 – Layne Christensen Company – Approval of Contract for Professional Services Related to the Rehabilitation of the Pump and Motor Assembly Associated with the City’s Well Station No. 8
- F. Approval of the City Administrator’s Emergency Purchase of Services to Repair a Watermain Break at 700 E. Roosevelt Road from November 22, 2019, thru December 7, 2019 – Tri-County Excavating

Roll call found the vote unanimous for approval. Voting Yea: Aldermen Beifuss, Brown, Dimas, Garling, Hallett, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0.

5. Items for Discussion.

4.E. Resolution No. 20-R-0008 – Steve Piper and Sons – Contract Award for the 2020 Forestry Maintenance Program. Alderman Beifuss inquired if the primary reason there were not more bids received was because the contractors do not have arborists on staff. Mr. Flatter indicated that he did not know for certain but assumes it is likely because of the City’s arborist requirement. Mr. Flatter also indicated that he was satisfied with the price provided and Steve Piper and Sons has done satisfactory work for the City in the past. **Alderman Brown made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas to approve.**

Roll call found the vote unanimous for approval. Voting Yea: Aldermen Beifuss, Brown, Dimas, Garling, Hallett, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0.

5.A. Klein Road Bike Path – Wayne Township Road District. Mr. Flatter indicated that staff is seeking direction on whether or not to participate in the application of STP funds to design and construct a bike path along Klein Road. On January 16, 2020, Mr. Flatter attended a meeting at the Wayne Township Road District Office to discuss the feasibility of a joint “on-street” bike path. The City’s share of design and construction cost is estimated at approximately \$300,000.00. Following the meeting, staff does not see a need to participate in the construction of a north-south bike path that would mirror the existing path along Fair Oaks Road, approximately 0.75 miles east of Klein Road. Money is not currently budgeted for said project, and funds would need to be taken from future street improvement projects to cover said expense. Additionally, staff feels that traffic and vehicular speeds along Klein Road make an “on-street” bike path unsafe. Following discussion, the Committee concluded that they are not interested in participating in the creation of a bike path along Klein Road as available funds should be focused on other street improvements.

6. Unfinished Business. Alderman Beifuss requested an update on the handrails to be installed on the stairs at 461 Main Street. Mr. Flatter explained that bids for the project would be opened next Wednesday, February 12, 2020. Once contracts have been executed, the handrails should be installed around June, though staff will push for a sooner completion date if it is feasible.

7. New Business. None.

8. Reports from Staff. Mr. Flatter noted that a draft of the concept for a regional bike path plan is anticipated to be brought before Committee at the March Infrastructure Committee Meeting.

9. Adjournment. At 7:17 P.M., Alderman Brown made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Ligino-Kubinski. Motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Ashley Heidorn
Administrative Assistant of Public Works