

VILLAGE OF DRESSER
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING
AUGUST 31, 2023
DRESSER MUNICIPAL OFFICE

Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Roll Call: Joe Peterson, Darren Peterson, and Bryan “Fatboy” Raddatz. Also present Jodi A. Gilbert-Clerk/Treasurer, Luke Loescher- Public Works, Matt Koch-Public Works, Eric Barclay-MSA, and Grace Bjorklund. This meeting was posted that a majority of the board members could be present for this meeting. No other public or press was in attendance.

Discussion was held regarding the Specs and Plans for the First/Second Street Project. Barclay brought the specs and plans for the First Street/Second Street (West Ave to East Ave) Project. One of the biggest questions is what is the requirement regarding the materials for the grant? For the CDBG - BABA requirements were being considered. HUD did not get their stuff together so the DOA did not get stuff. They have decided to phase in BABA. Projects right now will just be the American Iron and Steel. This is not a problem since we knew that we already had to comply with this for the DNR requirements. Barclay continued as for getting materials – contractors should not have any issues. They will have time to get things delivered. When projects go to 100% BABA, I am not sure how they are going to track it. The DNR form may be used for the CDBG. So, we are at a point we can bid the project out. Darren Peterson stated there should not be too much stuff that will have to comply. Barclay stated you are looking at mainly water main components. Manholes get certification. There is a category on the form where all the little items can be accounted for. Every little thing could have been a pain. BABA will be full blown in the future, but we do not have to worry about it yet. Barclay continued with bidding this out this fall – the contractor will be looking for the product now and stock piling. Darren Peterson – how are we dealing with ground water – dewatering is in the project. Televising of the lines is also in the project and we will get a copy when they are done. They usually do that before pavement. If we find a problem then they do not have to tear up the pavement. Darren Peterson stated I do not believe it is terribly common, but it is a good thing to have done. Darren Peterson asked can we look at the pavement/driveways. Where First Street hooks up to West Avenue. What is the height in relation to the driveways. I am asking because when they did West Avenue my driveway floods. Sandy Bassetts driveway could be an issue. We want the water to spill side to side. Bassett’s driveway is terribly flat. Page P1 – their driveway should be coming out at 5% - look at the cross section on page CS2. Their driveway is coming out at 5%. Lower road so the curb ties into the existing elevation. It was asked on the road profile. Gravel thickness is at 14 inches – Page G5 - Why? Barclay stated we are not doing a breaker run. It may be cheaper to do a foot sand lift and then gravel, but we have a standard that we like. How much base would you want to take off of there? The thicker base will lock together a little better. Having 14 inches of base is good when you are not sure of the soils. Darren Peterson stated I was just curious. Barclay stated I am concerned about soils down by the school. When you look at the soil data it does change in that area. Raddatz asked the yards at the end of the project what is the spec on the black dirt so it is not as bad as the last project. Koch stated on the previous project they came to us and asked where to get good black dirt. Raddatz stated there is no excuse for bad dirt. This time around they will be pulling it out if it is bad. We are not doing that again. Barclay stated 100% pass thru a sieve. Did the 2nd tree for Bassett’s yard get included in the plans? See page ST4 – yes, it is included. Barclay stated I talked with Dalton Spry – Page ST5 he wants two trees taken down. The committee agreed take them down. Kathy Soul on First Street and 116 Second Street (Hedin/Andrie) property may both want driveway cuts put in. Do

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we talk to the homeowners and put these into the plans now or wait until we are in the middle of the project to make the decision? Barclay stated it can be decided at game time. Page R1 – we can coordinate the driveways. Barclay stated I could talk to the property owners – will need phone numbers. Raddatz stated access on the alley is going to be so nice for this project. Barclay agreed people should be able to get in from west or east on the project. Tim Swenson had expressed concerns regarding his wife's health concerns. Barclay stated they will be able to get in and out as needed. It was asked what about the elevation of Tim Swenson's driveway. It is already draining back – humped – see special driveway section. It will come up 3 inches so it will hold that water. Darren Peterson stated Page G9 pipe underdrain on 2nd Street across from the school – look at Page R3 – storm water, Station 32 – Darren Peterson continued it would be good to see perforated pipe the whole way – Barclay I will check on that – solid under driveway to the catch basin. We would hate to bring water back towards the road. Raddatz asked if there was anything else. Nothing else was stated.

Discussion was held regarding BABA and requirements for the First/Second Street Project. Barclay stated we talked about this already. We will need to meet the requirements of American Iron and Steel. Full BABA will be on future projects, but not this one.

Discussion was held regarding the Bidding out of the First/Second Street Project. Raddatz stated we would like to bid it out as soon as possible. Barclay stated to avoid a special meeting we could meet the publishing dates and award at the October 2nd Board Meeting. You would put it out next week Friday to publish Sept 13th and 20th. Open bids Sept 28th and award on Oct 2nd. Barclay continued or we could slow it down a little and award at your November meeting. Raddatz stated when I look at things in my own office and how busy we are – for the actual bid process you do need to give them some time. You want them to bid and bid it right. I think we should award at the November meeting. Open bids the week of October 23rd either on Tuesday or Thursday. Ok let's open October 26th at 10:00 AM – it will be an online bid opening. I will set up a Microsoft Team Meeting. Award the project at the November 6th Board Meeting. This will give them plenty of time to bid. I will shoot to publish for the September 20th edition of The Sun. We could still bring this back to the board at the September 11th meeting for approval. When I send to the newspaper it will also go online. Motion Darren Peterson/Joe Peterson to recommend to the Village Board to put the First/Second Street (West Ave to East Ave) project out for bids. Bid opening would be at the November 6th Board Meeting. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Will need to look at the substantial completion date. Would like to start the project early. Could the tree removal be done as soon as the project is awarded? Barclay stated I will check with Kianna Lindl on whether they could start early on the trees.

Discussion was held regarding 2024 Budget Items. A. 1 Ton Truck. Koch stated we are looking to buy a new truck. Raddatz stated the one we have now is a 2001 or a 2002. It is on our twenty-year replacement plan. Raddatz asked what is after the 1 ton on the list? Plow Truck or Loader 6-10 years. Koch stated some very preliminary numbers just for the chassis - Dodge \$75,000.00, Ford \$69,000.00, Johnson Motors \$50,000.00. There will probably never be enough money to just out right buy. The new 1Ton needs to have a plow and be strong enough to pull the sewer cleaner. We do not want a crew cab. Raddatz stated we don't need a diesel. Right now Koch stated we cannot leave the lights on when the current truck is not running or the battery goes dead. Need to have a dump box on it. The current Sander does need some work. It is stainless steel. We will be looking at a year to get a new truck once it is ordered. Koch asked

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do we want to shop around? We should figure out the specs that we want so that it can just be ordered. Overall cost on a new truck could range anywhere from \$110,000.00 to \$125,000.00. Raddatz stated I do not care where we get it, but you do need to think about where you are going to have it serviced. I have dealt with the Dodge dealer in New Richmond and if there are issues, they will come and get the truck. We will we have to put down a down payment. Do we spend the time to bid it out? Yes was stated. Raddatz stated you should get a spec of exactly what you want. Then give the Spec to at least 3 local dealers. Ask everyone all the same questions. At some point will need to talk and decide whether we trade in the payloader at around 10 years. Also do we want to be trading in the Zero Turn every two years and have new equipment. Need to talk to Boyd and see the numbers. B. 2024 Street Maintenance. Koch stated a few years ago Rob got some numbers to have work done on State Street. The problem with State Street is that the cost will exceed our total road maintenance budget. Do we look to do maintenance on the road or do you let it go and at some point completely redo the black top? It is at a point that it needs to have some maintenance done. If this is our priority that may be all you do in the coming year. Raddatz stated this was the issue I had when we took it over from the county. We have done some crack filling on it already and some painting of lines. We should look to get some numbers on how much to chip seal. Raddatz what is the new maintenance stuff I am seeing around. It looks really nice. The guys figure it was a Fog Seal. We did this in SilverRidge. Raddatz stated I wonder how it will handle the winter and does it just get plowed off. The Towns are doing a lot of Fog Sealing and if they continue to do it – it must be a good thing. Where is State Street with the Road Ratings? Darren Peterson continued what are our worst roads? Koch stated there are quite a few areas. Darren Peterson stated we need to get 40 years out of State Street so if it needs to be chip sealed, we need to look at that. Koch stated State Street is possibly our most traveled road. Raddatz stated we probably need to do from Hwy 35 to MM. Would like to see some prices on this. Also get some prices on some of the other roads. Also need to look at striping for State Street. Raddatz stated when the board decided to take it over now we must maintain it. We may have to raise taxes to maintain our roads. The road budget is not big enough. Raddatz stated get numbers for State Street and some of the smaller road areas also. C. Other Public Works Budget Items. Nothing else was stated at this time.

Any other Business. Gilbert presented the committee with plans for the Trollhaugen Parking Lot improvements. The committee agreed that they need to obtain an Erosion Control Permit and if they are doing lighting, they would also need an electrical permit. Trollhaugen is submitting its plans to the DNR. Bjorklund stated we will need to be looking at the issues for the Library Building.

Motion Raddatz/Joe Peterson to adjourn at 6:50 PM. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Jodi A Gilbert – Clerk/Treasurer

These minutes have not been approved.