



School District Liaison Committee
Tuesday, July 28, 2020 - 5:00 PM
MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Chairman Block called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

Council Committee Members Present - Marvin Block, Doug Lehner

Absent - Sharon Hendren

Staff present - Jim Lenner - Village Manager, Abe Haroon - Chief of Police, Bailey Klimchak - Village Planner, Chip Dutcher - Mayor, Benjamin Lee - Council Member, Teresa Monroe - Clerk of Council

Johnstown-Monroe School Board Members Present - Ruth Ann Booher - Board President, Amanda Davis - Board Member

2. Update on Village development

Chairman Block provided some updates on the number of open lots that are yet to be built within the village; one hundred ninety two for Pulte Homes, sixty for Concord East, forty for Maronda in Leafy Dell and approximately ten infill lots. Mr. Block went on to list potential property annexations with assumption on number of lots. Ms. Klimchak noted another property likely to develop first, with one hundred fifty to one hundred seventy lots.

3. Update on School District Building projects

Ruth Ann Booher provided updates; the weight room building will be renovated, anticipate six weeks once on site. Searfoss is in phase one "pre-construction," next will be schematic drawings of the building then soil samples to see what can be built on that site; a lot of discovery - no conclusions yet on structure size.

4. School Year Busing

Ms. Booher said she does not have any information on busing, that question should be directed to Superintendent Dale Dickson.

5. Traffic Patterns - Leafy Dell Elementary

Mr. Block said last school year there were complaints on the traffic pattern. Mr. Lenner said there has been discussion ever since the building has been open about safe and effective traffic flow and whatever the village can do from an enforcement or traffic management standpoint is something taken seriously. Chief Haroon will be a fresh set of eyes and opinion on how to better manage the traffic flow in and out of the Leafy Dell neighborhood especially concerning the busing and student pick up and drop off. Ruth Ann Booher said just before school was dismissed in March, the administrators said it was running very smoothly, that they did not have an abundance of complaints that they felt they had it under control. Ms. Booher added this was something brought up to Fischer Homes when they had discussion about their potential building on the Michelson property, a major concern for the parent pickup line and traffic flow; not to be overshadowed by the

number of students they would absorb at the elementary school. Amanda Davis joined the meeting; she said she knows there have been concerns about trying to limit the kids gathering when they get off the buses, it had been discussed whether or not it might be useful to use more than one door as a drop off or pickup spot. Mr. Lenner said traffic and direction of buses can be controlled but a lot of the conversation has been about kids that dart out between cars, don't use the sidewalks or cross mid block so a lot of village review has been about traffic flow and how to handle. Ms. Booher inquired if there was any news about the grant for sidewalk that would go down SR37 accross from the school. Mr. Lenner said the village was not selected for the Safe Routes To Schools grant on the last round and that there is another application coming up this fall to submit; it would likely be a three year process from award to construction.

6. Roadway Project Updates

Jim Lenner provided updates as follows: US62 project is well on its way, running smoothly and on time. Westview Drive and Oregon Street will see the gas company move in to complete their work, Westview will see pavement renovation and replacement as well as alternate bids for sidewalks and curb and gutter, this project will not begin until US62 is re-open and will be completed this year. Mr. Lenner said Superintendent Dickson, School Board members and the Community Bus Service would be added to the traffic alert system for notifications. Project Mastodon is a business retention project tied to the straightening and safety of US62 and Sportsman Club Road; Mr. Lenner will attend a meeting in two weeks on potential funding partners. Future reconstruction of Edwards Road still scheduled, unsure of timing at this moment; traffic circle at the Leafy Dell intersection scheduled, Mr. Lenner said he thinks design begins in State fiscal year 2022. Design is underway for the second phase of the US62 turn lane which is from the bridge up to Wendy's, this is a million dollar project funded by ODOT and will be constructed next year; there will be no shut downs but it will impact traffic. Ms. Booher asked about completion of Oregon from College Street to the school; Mr. Lenner said likely next year for construction, by the time the gas company finishes in three months it should be bid late fall and spring for actual construction.

7. Other Business

1. The school was asked about hours for the flashing school zone lights so the village could have programmed correctly for the school year; Ms. Booher said hours are unknown at this time, Mr. Dickson and the administrators will be making that decision. Ms. Davis said the tentative school start date is August 24th and there has been no announcement of a change in school hours at this time.

8. Adjourn

There was no further business; the meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.