



Safety & Service Committee
Tuesday, January 5, 2021 - 5:00 PM
MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Committee Chair Benjamin Lee called the Safety and Service Committee meeting for January 5, 2021 to order at 5:03 pm

Members Present - Ben Lee, Doug Lehner, Marvin Block (absent at roll, arrived at 5:04 pm)
Absent - None

Staff present - Jim Lenner, Jack Liggett, Cheryl Robertson, Bailey Klimchak, Chief Haroon, Teresa Monroe.

Public present -Elizabeth Whipple

2. Action on Minutes

a. December 1, 2020

ACTION: Benjamin Lee moved to Approve; Doug Lehner seconded and all were in favor.

AYES: Benjamin Lee, Doug Lehner

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

Passed 2 - 0

Marvin Block arrived

3. Goals 2020 -> 2021 Discussion

a. Previous priority list

Committee review of goals list to remove those completed and rank others by priority. List edited as follows:

- ~~1. Update and prioritize roads in TAM~~
- ~~2. Create Road and ROW Maintenance Agreement~~
3. Create dangerous street tree removal policy
- ~~4. Establish Part time and internship employment program~~
- ~~5. Implement GIS mapping for water, wastewater and storm sewer systems.~~
6. Install Street lights where needed to improve visibility

7. Conduct crime mapping
- ~~8. Adopt false alarm ordinance~~
9. Update security in ~~administration office and~~ water plant
- ~~10. Evaluate downtown parking with Planning Commission~~
11. Sidewalk program
- ~~12. Comprehensive coordinated emergency response planning~~

Greater discussion on water plant security as well as council and admin offices.

Priorities and ranking for 2021 goals finalized as follows:

1. Update security in water plant, sewer plant and service departments
2. Investigate window security and replacement for admin and council chambers
3. Install street lights where needed to improve visibility
4. Conduct crime mapping
5. Sidewalk program
6. Create dangerous street tree removal policy

ACTION: Benjamin Lee moved to approve priorities and order as edited for 2021; Doug Lehner seconded and the vote was as follows:
AYES: Benjamin Lee, Marvin Block, Doug Lehner
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

Passed 3 - 0

4. Construction Project Updates

1. Update on the inquiry on grinding and cuts made in the new pavement on US 62. ODOT said this was done to fix imperfections in drainage.
2. Pleased with the Croton Road water line project; less than 1,000 feet to complete installation of the line.
3. New sewer line installation on Us 62 to the Enterprise Center going well.
4. Westview shut down until spring; top course will go in then. All water work, storm sewer work; sidewalks are done, just waiting on pavement in the spring.
5. Working with engineers preparing South Oregon project to go out to bid.
6. Hoping to know soon about the Ohio Public Works projects.
7. Project Mastodon update; application now submitted, waiting on State Controlling Board approval.
8. Service Director has received pricing for the School zone striping and speed signage, just need direction on how to submit.

5. Village Lighting - AEP Quotes for Obscure Areas

Vision Statement: The Village of Johnstown is dedicated to providing a secure community environment that fosters cultural, recreational, educational and economic opportunities while preserving our unique historical character

Review of AEP quote provided; committee notes it is incomplete without the costs for selling the village owned street lights to them to manage. Discussion yielded questions on why the lights quoted were not LED and what cost would be if they were. Questions have been asked to AEP with no answers to date. The AEP Community Liaison will be invited to attend the February committee meeting. Ben Lee said he would like to see consideration for better lighting added at Pratt and South Main; committee discussion on adding lighting on Croton Road. Cheryl Robertson asked committee what the advantage of having AEP take over village lights would be, that we seem to take better care of our lights and AEP does not communicate very well with us, it may end up being a bigger problem. Doug Lehner raised concern for what happens after the three year contract is up, if not extended, whose lights are they and costs associated. Committee agrees there is more information needed for cost benefit analysis. AEP representative will be invited to attend the February committee meeting.

6. Sidewalk Replacement Program (Doug Lehner)

No new updates. Discussion on the Active Transportation Plan and consulting money available through Safe Routes to Schools; Mr. Lenner said it would help to have those in place prior to applying for any funding. Continued discussion on how the village would handle residents who were not financially able to replace their sidewalks, future possibilities for enforcement and funding of a sidewalk program. Committee decision to work through the Active Transportation Plan and Safe Routes to Schools applications first; topic to remain on committee agendas for updates.

7. Other Business

1. Speculative discussion on if the village did own all of the street lights.

8. Adjourn

ACTION:	Doug Lehner moved to Adjourn; Benjamin Lee seconded and the vote was as follows:
AYES:	Benjamin Lee, Marvin Block, Doug Lehner
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

Passed 3 – 0 Meeting adjourned at 6:28 pm