

Meeting Minutes
Department of Public Works Committee Meeting
Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at 8:15 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 8:20 a.m.

The following members were present

Mark Ratterman, Brent Suffian, Connor McCarthy, Randy Parham and Tim Kaufmann

Absent:

Clint Williams

Staff present

Anne Lamitola, Director of Public Works; Councilman John Fox; Mayor Nancy Spewak; and Lori Wrobel, Administrative Assistant

Adoption of the Agenda

Mr. Ratterman asked for a motion to approve the agenda; Mr. Kaufmann made a motion to approve, Mr. Suffian seconded the motion. All present were in favor.

Approval of meeting minutes

Mr. Ratterman asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the December 4, 2019 meeting. Mr. Suffian made a motion to approve to minutes, Mr. Kaufmann seconded the motion. All present were in favor.

Update of Current Public Works Projects, Initiatives and Associated Committees

Ms. Lamitola gave project updates on the following:

Federal Funding applications are being finalized for the ADA sidewalk replacement on Clayton Road between Price and McKnight and for signalization of the intersection of Conway & Warson Road. Letters of support are due next Thursday, February 13, 2020.

A Request for Qualifications has been issued for engineering services for the Dielman Road project. Submittals are due on February 19th. These will be scored by the Public Works Department engineering staff. Typically interviews of the top three firms are held with one or more members of the Public Works Committee participating, but the decision can also be based on review of the written qualifications that are submitted.

The Storm Water Advisory Committee meets on March 12th in Ladue Police Department Conference Room. The five funded storm water projects continue. The South Tealbrook storm water improvements will be the first to be constructed.

BOSTA held a planning workshop on January 28 to plan for the 2020 Calendar Year. The committee will continue to work on:

- an annual Arbor Day Celebration scheduled for April 25, 2020
- an annual honeysuckle hack in the fall
- maintaining Tree City USA requirements

- Tree inventory management
- Green space implementation (9810 S. 40) and
- educating the public about tree resources

New initiatives include:

- Honeysuckle Removal speaker at Ladue City Hall in March
- Native plants in 2020 on the City Campus
- Rodes Park landscaping master plan (through a planning grant)

Bond Architects is continuing to work on the Facilities Needs Assessment for buildings on the municipal campus including City Hall, the Building Department, and the Public Works office building. They are currently in the process of pricing out three options; renovation of existing space, renovation of City Hall with demolition of the original City building and a new addition, and a complete new build. This project is funded for 2025 and will begin after the Firehouse is paid off.

The Public meeting for the Comprehensive Plan update is scheduled for March 2, 2020 in City Hall.

Other Matters Deemed Appropriate

The deer count was 74 as of February 3. Residents are not happy with MSD knocking trees down, although much of this is being done by Ameren, who happens to be conducting tree maintenance in the same area. There is a six-page log of resident inquiries, issues and resolutions.

The Public Works staff are currently working on road salting.

The next Public Works Committee meeting is scheduled for April 1, 2020 at 8:15 am

Mr. McCarthy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Suffian seconded the motion. All present voted "aye". Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Sincerely,

Mark Ratterman
Department of Public Works Committee