

Public Works Committee
January 11, 2017

Trustee Dobbs called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Caledonia Village Hall, 6922 Nicholson Road, Caledonia, Wisconsin.

Present were: Trustee Dobbs and Trustee Trentadue

Staff present: Village Administrator Tom Christensen, Police Chief Dan Warren, Police Captain Brian Wall, Village Engineer Tony Bunkelman, Highway Superintendent Blaine Pfeffer and Brian Sinner, DPW.

1. Approval of minutes

Motion by Trustee Trentadue to approve the minutes from the December 14, 2016 meeting. Seconded by Trustee Dobbs. Motion carried.

2. Results of Riverview Park Subdivision Street Light Request

Bunkelman explained the results of the Riverview Park Subdivision street light survey completed on December 28, 2016. The Village sent 81 surveys and 44 were returned. Of the 44 returned, 12 were in favor of street lights (27.3%) and 32 were not (72.7%). In reviewing the results it was determined that the majority of the residents were not in favor of the street lights and recommended that street lights not be installed in the subdivision at this time.

Dobbs asked if Bunkelman had contacted WE Energies in regards to the cost of installing the street lights. Bunkelman stated there was no formal quote but they did indicate that the difference between a LED light and high pressure sodium bulb was \$300-\$400. LED lights would be a better choice. And would cost between \$1,200 and \$1,600 each to install.

It was discussed that the residents should receive the results of the survey by mail.

Trustee Trentadue made a motion to not install street lights in Riverview Park Subdivision and to mail the results to the residents that were surveyed including Mr. Richard Andersen who made the request. Seconded by Trustee Dobbs. Motion carried.

3. Discussion of Signage Upgrades at Controlled Intersections

Christensen stated in light of a recent serious accident at 4 Mile and Nicholson Rd., he proposed to the Board to upgrade signage at some of the Village's intersections. At the request of Christensen, Chief Warren drafted a list of the top 10 dangerous intersections in the Village. Many of the intersections were on state highways, but Christensen had a conversation with Julie Anderson and Dave Prott of Racine County about recommendations.

Discussion was held about possibly installing flashing LED signs and upgrading the existing signage at these intersections. Changing the color of the signs could be done without a budget change. Intersections on Nicholson Rd would be the starting point.

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Christensen stated the cost of 2 LED signs would be \$3,000. However, the Village would need to purchase an additional sign in case of an accident making the total cost approximately \$4,500. He also stated he would like to see an incremental approach to addressing the issue. Chief Warren stated 4 Mile and Nicholson Rd. would be the best intersection to start with.

Bunkelman will contact the resident on the southwest corner of 4 Mile and Nicholson in regards to placing the flashing LED signs at the intersection. It was agreed upon to table the LED lights until next meeting but to proceed with the Highway Department changing the colors of the caution signs at the intersections.

4. Adjournment

Motion by Trustee Trentadue to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Dobbs. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Spencer
Deputy Village Clerk