

## **Streets Committee – November 3, 2023**

Attendees: Chris Bell (CB), Mark Porter (MP), Tim Alder (TA), Eric Haibach (EH)

Guest: Suzanne Maloney (Emerald Lakes HOA President)

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m.

Bell Road Sidewalks – Suzanne Maloney from Emerald Lakes was in attendance and asked for an update on what the Engineer came up with regarding potential sidewalks on Bell Road. EH reported that the initial broad estimate is approximately \$1.05 million for the sidewalk from CF border to SR 306. The sidewalk would likely run on the south side of Bell from the CF border to the park pavilion, and then on the north side of Bell from the park pavilion to SR 306. EH said the portion from CF to the park would be approximately \$450k and the remainder would be approximately \$600k.

TA reported that calibration of the new salt distribution calibrators on two trucks has been completed. This will help with more efficient salt spread – approximately 230-250 lbs. per road mile.

TA noted that the footer has been installed for the flagpole on the south side of the park.

TA reported that drainage pipe has been installed on the north side of the park. The work included: 430' of 6" perforated pipe, 150' of 10" perforated pipe, and the installation of two 18"x18" inlet basins.

TA communicated the status of the Streets Department team. Injuries or significant illness have affected three of the four employees. TA would like to have a seasonal plowman on the bench for instances like this. Council will need to update pay rates to include a part time plow person. TA will find out what the state plow driver rate is for reference. TA did reach out to Bainbridge and CF to ask if they could assist in a pinch. Bainbridge communicated that they will not help.

The committee discussed the 2024 budget. Due to the cost of roads and the salt dome, the committee agreed not to include large equipment. This will be pushed back for another year. The committee agreed to remove the Manorbrook Phase II project from the 2024 budget. The committee will recommend the \$26,750 roof option for the service department building. The engineering costs for the 2025 Bell Road east project need to be added to the 2024 budget. EH will provide the cost to the Fiscal Officer. The committee discussed the 2024 roads program and the \$230,000 that comes from the road levy. The committee's conclusion is to recommend a \$350,000 2024 road program. The salt dome was discussed. CB noted that the impression of others is that the proposed dome is the Taj Mahal of salt domes and should be reduced in scope. EH and TA reported that is not the case. They both noted that it's a middle of the road project for a salt dome. Other roof structures could be considered, like a tarp roof, but it is not a good long-term solution. TA recommended Council visit the structure built in Orange Village to get a better understanding and to see that it's not overboard. The committee agreed that the salt dome is a safety issue and needs to be addressed. The cost (both financially and emotionally) of an employee tragically dying if the current dome were to collapse is much greater than the cost of a new structure. The committee will recommend the Engineer's estimate of \$680k for the 2024 budget.

TA reported that three Manorbrook 6' white pines were planted.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 a.m.