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Public Property Committee Meeting  
Streets/Municipal Center/Pool/Parks & Recreation  
(Matchett/Carpenter/Kaiser/Miller)  
Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting of the Public Property Committee was called to order at 6:03 p.m., on Wednesday, November 13, 2024, by Chairman Ray Matchett. Members present were Chairman Ray Matchett, Trustee Tom Carpenter, Trustee Bob Kaiser, Trustee Dana Miller, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard, Trustee Mike Blaies, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Village Attorney Fred Keck, Public Works Director John Tolan, Crew Leader Bob Jenkins, Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer, Village Administrator Matt Trout, Village Engineer Tim Pruett, and Office Manager Mary Downen. Guest present: Janet Baechle. Guests present via Zoom: None.

## POOL:

**A. OLD BUSINESS:** Public Works Director John Tolan said they took the diving board platform to get it power coated. There is also a broken cable on one of the umbrellas and they will work on getting that fixed.

**B. NEW BUSINESS:** None.

## STREETS:

### A. OLD BUSINESS:

- Approval of October 16, 2024 Minutes: Trustee Tom Carpenter motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of the October 16, 2024, and Trustee Bob Kaiser seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.
- Drainage Problem Areas/Stormwater Run-Off: John said a couple of things. After the last big rain there was a clogged culvert on Main St. and Koester. He said Crew Leader Bob Jenkins found out on Country Side Lane there is a culvert that is washed out. They will need to a look at it and see what is going on. They have come up with a plan regarding the issue on Silverthorne. They are waiting for better weather, and they plan to do a swale instead of a culvert.
- Customer Issues: John said on Westview as you are going out of town there is a large Oak tree that is dead and dropping limbs. It is a bit taller than we can handle so we are going to have a tree service take the top off and then we can drop the rest. There is a big Maple tree on South Monroe St. that is tearing up the sidewalk that we will take down as well.
- MFT: Village Engineer Tim Pruett said everything has been approved through IDOT so we will be cutting a check to Christ Brothers this week.
- Professional Metal Works Expansion: John said they successfully moved the hydrant. They are working on the entrance and should pour concrete on Monday.

### B. NEW BUSINESS:

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VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE FIRST AND THIRD MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH

1. Smithton Athletic Association Donation Request: The committee agreed to donate a 10-day pool pass.

2. Resolution #24-19: A Resolution in Support of St. Clair County Parks Grant: Tim said he is working on it. Bob has gotten prices on the various equipment they are looking to get. He said this grant is for maintenance & equipment. Trustee Tom Carpenter asked how much the grant is for. Tim responded \$30,000.

*Trustee Dana Miller motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of Resolution #24-19: A Resolution in Support of the St. Clair County Parks Grant, and trustee Bob Kaiser seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*

John said they are working on sidewalks. They have replaced sidewalks on N. Edison St., and they are working on the South Richland area. He also stated they started the leaf pick-up this week.

Village Administrator Matt Trout said he has been going through the executive session minutes.

### **C. GENERAL CONCERNS:**

Trustee Tom Carpenter asked about the backhoe. There was a discussion about replacing the 2005 backhoe.

**D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Janet commented on the wallpaper and the exhaust fan in the women's restroom.

**E. ADJOURN:** *Trustee Tom Carpenter motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:24 p.m., and Trustee Bob Kaiser seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*



Mary Downen  
Office Manager