

Minutes of Perrysburg Service Committee

Meeting Held January 22, 2025

CALL TO ORDER - 5:30 PM

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Committee Chair Kerry Wellstein.

ROLL CALL

Committee Members present were Kerry Wellstein, Kevin Fuller and Mark Weber. Also present were Joe Fawcett, City Administrator, Brian Thomas, City Engineer. and Rob Ross, Director of Public Service.

CITIZEN'S CONCERNS

None.

APPROVAL OF 11/20/2024 MEETING MINUTES

There being no objections, the minutes of the November 20, 2024 meeting were approved 3-0.

UPDATE ON ODOT'S PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE SPECIAL GRANT SOLICITATION

Mr. Thomas updated the committee on older grants through the state of Ohio that have money left over, that he has applied for. These three grants are the Safe Routes to School, Alternative Transportation and the Carbon Reductions grants. Mr. Thomas said he has asked the state for a reimbursement of funds for part of the engineering cost for the path way next to the Ft. Meigs ditch project. The request was for \$1.1 million and he explained that the City may not receive the full amount asked for, but whatever is received will go towards this multi use path project.

UPDATE ON FT MEIGS CROSSING AT ROTARY PARK

Mr. Thomas updated the committee on this pedestrian crossing project at Rotary Park. The plan is to install a pedestrian hybrid beacon (PHB) which is a traffic control device designed to help pedestrians safely cross higher-speed roadways at midblock crossings and uncontrolled intersections. Mr. Thomas said that he is working on estimates of the project cost, but will be applying for a grant when he does have an estimate of what the project will cost. Mr. Thomas said that he will continue to keep the committee updated with the cost of the project as well as any progress that he has with receiving grant money.

UPDATE ON HULL PRAIRIE CROSSING AT OLDE TRAIL DRIVE AND MULTI-USE PATH EXTENSION TO HULL PRAIRIE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Mr. Thomas told the committee that this is similar to the previous agenda item, as he will also be applying for a grant for this project. This project is for a cross walk along the

Saddlebrook Subdivision next to the ditch. A Perrysburg parent had reached out and asked if a crossing could be built in order for her kids and other kids that live in Saddlebrook to cross safely. Mr. Thomas said that he is working on the project cost, but after he has the costs the grant can be started and we could have the money for this project as early as July or August of 2025. Mr. Thomas said that he will continue to keep the committee updated with the cost of the project as well as any progress that he has with receiving grant money.

UPDATE ON FRONT STREET CORRIDOR STUDY

Mr. Thomas updated the committee on the study that was conducted in the fall for Front Street. The study looked at the traffic patterns, how many traffic accidents occurred and how the City could cut down on the amount of accidents. The study showed that Front Street is Perrysburg's high-crash and injury network of road, and that it needs improvement.

REVISION TO RESOLUTION 68-2021 FOR SURVEY AND ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR FT MEIGS ROAD MULTI-USE PATH

Mr. Thomas spoke to the committee about the conversation he had with, GPD Group, the engineers working on the Ft. Meigs ditch project, and he asked them about enclosing the ditch. After the project was further inspected and calculated by the engineers they realized it would be more in depth and it would cost \$30,386 more than estimated in the original 2021 resolution to enclose the ditch. The Committee agreed 3-0 to forward this change order on to City Council.

PURCHASE OF A NEW REFUSE TRUCK

Mr. Ross requested permission to purchase a new refuse truck to replace a 13 year-old truck with over 130,000 miles on it. He said that the old truck has cost a lot to maintain in the last few years. Ms. Wellstein noted that the price is about \$3,000 under the budgeted amount. The cost of the new truck will be \$377,650. Mr. Thomas said that they are holding this truck for us until the end of February 2025, so he's hoping this can pass as an emergency. Mr. Weber asked if they currently run 5 trucks. Mr. Ross said they do, and the next oldest truck is 6 years-old, almost 7 years-old. Mr. Weber asked if this purchase is in the budget, and Mr. Ross said it is. The Committee agreed 3-0 to forward this purchase request on to City Council.

SUBDIVISION ACCEPTANCE

Mr. Ross explained that part of the subdivision process includes the City making sure that we're happy with how the infrastructure work has been done. Mr. Ross said they are ready to accept, The Villages at Canterbury Plat 4, Coventry Pointe Plat 4, and Summer Field Plat 5. The Committee agreed 3-0 to move these ordinances on to City Council.

OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Wellstein thanked Mr. Thomas for his hard work with the grants he has been applying for and for all of the work his employees have done for the city during the cold

weather. Mr. Weber asked for an update regarding the railroad gates that citizens are not able to ride bikes through because they are too narrow. Mr. Thomas said that his department is still working on it and should have an update soon.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kerry Wellstein, Chairperson
Service Committee

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 26, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.