



City of Palos Heights
Roads & Construction Meeting
Tuesday, February 8, 2022
6:30 p.m.
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Clifford called the Roads & Construction Committee meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were Alderman Clifford, Alderman Lewandowski, Alderman Basso, City Administrator David Strohl, Director of Public Works Adam Jasinski, and recording secretary Tayler Swiedals.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Clifford moved to approve the minutes of the Roads & Construction Committee meeting held on January 11, 2022, seconded by Alderman Lewandowski. On a voice note, the motion passed unanimously.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- A. Snow Storm Report:** There have been 8 storms this winter season in our region. For the storm on February 2nd, crews were called out at 3 am making 4 full passes throughout the city. The storm ended around 6 pm and all roads were salted by 7:30 pm. On February 3rd, with the lake effect snow crews plowed until 4 pm. Public Works received 300 tons of salt and are well stocked until March.
- B. Ridgeland Avenue Median Maintenance:** Director Jasinski explained that a bid was opened at City Council to begin work to remove the concrete medians that are in bad shape along Ridgeland Avenue, grind them down 4 inches, and repave the additional 2 inches with asphalt to make them flush with the roadway. This will minimize the broken concrete and potholes on the medians and improve aesthetics along Ridgeland Avenue. This work will be reimbursed by Cook County. We have entered an intergovernmental agreement with the Cook County Department of Roads, and upon completion, Cook County will reimburse the City. The bid came in under the engineers estimate and below what the City budgeted for the project.

Request approval of award of the Ridgeland Avenue Median Maintenance 135th Street to Route 83 to Brothers Asphalt Paving, Inc. for their low bid of \$129,170.79.

Alderman Clifford made a motion to approve award of the Ridgeland Avenue Median Maintenance 135th Street to Route 83 to Brothers Asphalt Paving, Inc. for their low bid of \$129,170.79, seconded by Alderman Basso. On a voice note, the motion passed unanimously. –

AGENDA

- C. Cook County Grant IGA:** This IGA was reviewed by City Attorney Tom Brown. This IGA is for Cook County to pay for half of the projected cost up to \$60,000.00 for the concrete sidewalk

that will be extended on Ridgeland Avenue from Route 83 heading north to the Cal-Sag channel providing a connection to the Cal-Sag Trail from the Ridgeland Avenue multipurpose path. Public Works applied for the grant and the grant was reviewed and given to the City.

Request approval for the Cook County IGA grant.

Alderman Clifford made a motion to approve the Cook County IGA grant, seconded by Alderman Basso. On a voice note, the motion passed unanimously. –**AGENDA**

MORRIS ENGINEERING

Director Jasinski provided the updates for Morris Engineering.

2021 Paving Program: We are withholding 5% retainage with M&J Asphalt Paving Co., Inc. to ensure the roads make it through the winter season, after which the committee will be asked to release the retainage.

2022 Paving Program: Morris Engineering prepared the 2022 Paving Program bid book. The bid book will be submitted to IDOT for review and the target for the bid opening is April 5, 2022.

123rd Street Road Construction: Due to the project being shut down at the end of last year because of the weather, there is a punch list to be completed by the contractor by spring time weather permitting.

76th Avenue 131st to 135th LAFO Resurfacing: We received a phase 2 engineering agreement from IDOT. This is an approved agreement allowing Morris Engineering to proceed with design engineering that will be reimbursed with federal funds. This project is targeted to be engineered this year and completed in 2023.

INVOICES

Director Jasinski requested approval for payment to Morris Engineering for the month of January for engineering services in the amount of \$7,205.40.

Alderman Clifford made a motion to approve the Morris Engineering invoices in the amount of \$7,205.40, seconded by Alderman Lewandowski. On a voice note, the motion passed unanimously. – **AGENDA**

OLD BUSINESS

The committee discussed the lease agreement for Lake Katherine property with MWRD and the green initiative projects required to renew the lease in the future. The committee discussed the concerns previously discussed about Route 83 and the speed limits. Director Jasinski wrote a letter to IDOT requesting the IDOT Traffic Engineering Department to review the traffic signalization on Route 83 for optimization. Alderman Clifford addressed the concerns from residents about sidewalks, lighting, and school zone concerns.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Alderman McGovern presented the committee with an email from a resident inquiring about resurfacing McIntosh. Director Jasinski stated that McIntosh will be resurfaced this year.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Alderman Clifford moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alderman Basso. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tayler Swiedals, Recording Secretary