

**Public Works and Water Committee
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 4, 2025, 5:00PM
Village Hall 740 Hillgrove Ave
Western Springs IL 60558**

Call to Order

**Meeting Called to Order: 5:00 P.M. by Alan Fink, Chairman-Trustee
Seconded by Amy Avakian, Trustee**

Committee Members Present:

Alan Fink – Village Trustee, Chair
Amy Avakian – Village Trustee
Heidi Rudolph, Village President

Staff Present:

Ellen Baer, Village Manager
Matthew Supert, MS Director
Jeff Koza, Director of Engineering Services
Ron Derengowski, Water Plant Superintendent
Christopher Breakey, Public Works Superintendent
Aleks Briedis, Recreation Director
Diana Puga, Municipal Services Coordinator
Jenny Pesek, Administrative Assistant

Approval of Minutes:

The Committee minutes from the 2/4/2025 Public Works and Water Committee meeting minutes were approved by Alan Fink and seconded by Amy Avakian with no corrections.

Public Comment None

New Business

2025 IDOT Motor Fuel Tax Authorization for Maintenance Items

Director Matthew Supert reported to the Committee. He stated that the **2025 IDOT Motor Fuel Tax** be approved for the purchase of the roadway salt for the fiscal year 2025 and the sidewalk program in an amount not to exceed \$155,000. Motion to approve by Chair Alan Fink and seconded by Trustee Amy Avakian, and to bring before the Village Board. All in favor aye.

2025 MFT Street Re-Surfacing Program Engineering Agreement-Revised IDOT Form

Jeff Koza, Director of Engineering Services reported to the Committee. He recommended to approve the 2025 MFT Resurfacing Program with Christopher Burke Engineering, Ltd. Director Koza reported that the work involves the preparation of design plans and specifications, and construction observation services. A form was omitted from the approved agreement paperwork originally. Motion to approve by Chair Alan Fink and seconded by Trustee Amy

Avakian, to bring before the Village Board the approval of the 2025 MFT Resurfacing Program & Christopher Burke Engineering. All in favor aye.

Gilbert Avenue Resurfacing Design Engineering-Revised IDOT Agreement Form

Director Jeff Koza reported to the Committee the **IDOT BLR 05530 Agreement form** was omitted from the approved agreement paperwork. This IDOT agreement form is required because the Village is using Motor Fuel Tax funds to pay for a portion of this engineering work. To be compliant with IDOT MFT rules staff is recommending the re-approval of the agreement with the BLR 05530 form added to the approved agreement document. The agreement total fee and scope of work is unchanged from the previously approved agreement. The work involves the completion of preliminary engineering services for the upcoming Gilbert Avenue Resurfacing Project. Staff is recommending the Board approve the updated agreement document to ensure IDOT and MFT procedures are followed properly. Motion to approve by Chair Alan Fink and seconded by Trustee Amy Avakian, and to bring before the Village Board. All in favor aye.

Gilbert Avenue Resurfacing Design Engineering MFT Resolution Form BLR 09110

Jeff Koza Director of Engineering presented to the Committee. He reported that the total cost of the work remains the same as previously approved which is \$110,000. The Village will use MFT funds to pay for the work completed and then seek reimbursement from Cook County's Invest in Cook grant program and the Village of La Grange. The net cost to the Village is \$27,500. Staff recommends to the Village Board the approval of a resolution, IDOT Form BLR 09110, authorizing the use of Motor Fuel Tax ("MFT") funds to pay for the preliminary engineering services costs for the Gilbert Avenue resurfacing project. Motion to approve by Chair Alan Fink and seconded by Trustee Amy Avakian, and to bring before the Village Board. All in favor aye.

Other Business:

Water System Update

Water Plant Superintendent Ronald Derengowski presented to the Committee. He reported the Village staff posted and published requests for bid for the Phase 1 Lead Service Line Replacement. The bid opening will be on Thursday, March 20, 2025, at 10:00am. The contract would be awarded in April. Ron reported the replacement of the forty-two lead service lines will begin in late April or May.

Water Main Repairs

Water Plant Superintendent Ronald Derengowski reported Public Works completed eleven water main repairs throughout the Village in January. Public Works Department will be purchasing a walk behind saw this month since water mains are located under the roadway, and this should help reduce costs with external contractors. He reported that most of these repairs are due to cold temperatures.

53rd Street between Fair Elms and Commonwealth Avenue

Municipal Services discovered that a water main needs repair and replacement that is located beneath the creek on 53rd Street between Fair Elms and Commonwealth. The Village has consulted with V3 Engineering for recommendations and design. The cost estimate is near to be \$170,000.00. He reported this is not a budgeted item. He reported this item will be an agenda item for the Infrastructure Commission on February 20, 2025. Chair Fink asked where this money comes from, and Director Supert responded the Water Fund. Municipal Services will seek approval from the Board in March or April.

Infrastructure Commission Meeting Thursday 2/20/2025 6:00 PM

Schedule Next Committee Meeting:

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 4, 2025, 5:00PM

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting: All in favor, Move to Close

Alan Fink, Trustee-Chair vote: Aye Amy Avakian, Trustee vote: Aye all in favor

Meeting adjourned at 5:13 PM.

Respectfully Submitted: Jenny Pesek