

Public Works and Water Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 8, 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:

Matthew Supert, MS Director

Jeff Koza, Director of Engineering Services

Inga Cebelis, Staff Engineer

Ron Derengowski, Water Plant Superintendent

Christopher Breakey, Public Works Superintendent

Ubaldo Rodriguez, Supervisor PW

Diana Puga, Municipal Services Coordinator

Jenny Pesek, Administrative Assistant

Approval of Minutes:

The Committee minutes from the 4/8/2025 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

National Public Works Week Proclamation for May 18-24, 2025

Diana Puga presented to the Committee a recommendation to proclaim May 18-24, 2025, as National Public Works Week and would all citizens to join in activities, events and ceremonies. Motion to read the proclamation at the Village Board Meeting. All in favor Aye.

2025 Touch-a-Truck Flyer

Diana Puga Municipal Services Coordinator reported the Touch-a-Truck event will be on May 17, 2025, at Tower Green from 9-12noon. A Water Plant Open House is scheduled for May 7, 2025.

Lead Service Line Replacement Phase 1CY24-25-L17-3761 Construction-Bid

Matthew Supert, Municipal Services Director reported bids were opened on March 20, 2025. The Village received two bids with the lowest bidder Millennium Construction Company of Chicago, Illinois. A bid of \$935,603.00 for the replacement of 42 lead service lines. The engineer's estimate was \$806,005.00. The Village submitted a revised "Funding Nomination Form" to the IEPA to request additional funds to cover the higher amount. The total project

cost has increased from \$906,405.15 to \$1,100,381.15. Chair Fink moved to recommend bringing Millennium Contracting Co before the Board for an amount not to exceed \$935,603.00 and seconded by Trustee Avakian, all in favor aye.

Lead Service Line Replacement Phase 1CY24-25-L17-3761 Draft Ordinance-Authorizing the Village to Borrow Funds for the purpose of the replacement of 42 service lines.

Matthew Supert, Municipal Services Director reported to the Committee.

2025 Fire Hydrant Sandblasting and Painting Bid Recommendation

Matthew Supert, Municipal Services Director reported to the Committee the lowest bid recommendation was Go Painters. Chair Fink motioned to bring before the Village Board Go Painters as the lowest bid recommendation, Trustee Avakian, aye, all in favor aye. Village budget includes funds for the sandblasting and painting of fire hydrants throughout the Village.

Director Supert reported the Village increased the budget to complete all remaining hydrants over the next three years. Director Supert reported that on March 6, 2025, the Village issued a Request for Bids (RFB) for Fire Hydrant Sandblasting and Painting. On March 24, 2025, the Village received a total of two (2) bids for the fire hydrant sandblasting and painting contract.

The lowest bidder was Go Painters at \$106.00/hydrant. Go Painters Inc has been performing this work for the Village since 2023. Chair Fink moved to recommend to the Village Board the approval of the award for the 2025 Fire Hydrant Sandblasting and Painting Contract to the lowest bidder, Go Painters Inc, for an amount not to exceed \$25,875.

Vendor Contract with Water Resources, Inc for Meter installation

Attached to this agenda item is the signed contract from Water Resources, Inc. to provide services and materials to the Village of Western Springs. All the meters that remain to be installed are not subject to an 8% surcharge. Any new meters purchased for new development or remodeling may be subject to an 8% surcharge depending on the tariffs imposed. Water Resources, Inc. is the authorized distributor of Neptune products in our territory

Staff recommend waiving the bid process for the acceptance and approval of a contract with Water Resources, Inc. for the purchase of water meters and their accessories, and completion and installation of the remaining 90 water meters from the original contract not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$50,000.

Chair Fink recommended approving the contract with Water Resources, Inc. for the installation of approximately 90 water meters and the purchase of water meters and accessories for redevelopment and new developments not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$50,000. Seconded by Trustee Avakian. All in favor aye.

Engineering Proposal Well #3 & Well #4 Assessment and Well No. 1 Abandonment and Maintenance Study

Ziebell Fire Hydrant Purchase

Ubaldo Rodriguez, Public Works Supervisor presented this purchase. It is recommended that they approve 15 Mueller Fire Hydrants for \$80,925.00 from Ziebell Water Service Products. Quotes were received from Ziebell and Core & Main. He reported that the hydrants will be painted yellow according to standards. Supervisor Rodriguez reported that the Village has allocated \$35,000 for fire hydrant replacements in 2025. Chair Alan Fink recommended approving Ziebell for the purchase of (15) hydrants and seconded by Trustee Avakian, all in favor aye.

Forest Hills Sidewalk Improvements-East side of Grand Avenue from 51st to 55th Street Contract Award to Davis Concrete

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Inga Cebelis, Staff Engineer presented to the Committee that the lowest base bid and alternate bid for this project was Davis Concrete Construction Company in the amount of \$195,909.00. Chair Fink asked if the funds were from a grant. Inga Cebelis reported the Village was awarded a grant in the amount of \$190,000 from the 2023 American Rescue Plan Act. Project plans and specifications were prepared by V3 Companies. Chair Fink motioned to bring before the Village Board and Trustee Avakian in favor, All in favor aye.

2025 Asphalt Street Resurfacing and Skip Patching Program MFT Resolution BLR 09110

2025 Asphalt Street Resurfacing and Skip Patching Program Review of As-Read Bid Results

Staff Engineer Cebelis reported that a bid opening is scheduled for April 8, 2025. Christopher Burke Engineering will review all bids and provide a bid tabulation. An award for the project will be at the Village Board meeting. This year's current fiscal year's budget allocated is \$430,000 and 45th street \$150,000 for skip patching.

Springdale Drainage Improvement Project-Contract Award to Performance Construction & Engineering

Director Jefferey Koza presented to the Committee. He reported that the lowest responsive bidder for the Springdale Drainage project was Performance Construction and Engineering for an amount not to exceed \$5,188,313.00. Construction plans for the project have been developed by Christopher B. Burke Engineering. Director Koza reported that the project is partially funded by a \$1,000,000 grant from the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD). Chair Fink recommended bringing before the Village Board and Trustee Avakian, aye. All in favor aye. Director Koza stated more to come and plan to award at the Village Board meeting on 4/14/2025.

Woodland Avenue Reconstruction Project Amendment #1 to a professional services agreement with HR Green for Design Engineering Services

Director Jefferey Koza presented to the Committee to approve amendment #1 to the Woodland Avenue Design Engineering Professional Services Agreement with HR Green in an amount not to exceed \$29,500.00. The scope of the work includes the development of construction plans for the reconstruction of Woodland Avenue between Burling Avenue and 47th Street. He reported that the plans are currently 90% complete. The detailed amendment proposal will be finalized and will be presented at the meeting. Staff recommend the Woodland Avenue Design Engineering Professions Services agreement with HR Green. Discussion continued about the referendum as positive. Formal proposal next week. Chair Fink recommended and approved the amendment #1. All in favor voted aye.

Other Business: Director Supert reported with the referendum winning staff will be locking in a road map for the scope of proposed projects. He had a meeting with our Engineering Director and is currently working on this project.

Water System Update

Superintendent Derengowski reported to the Committee that April 7, 2025, Public Works will begin the annual fire hydrant flushing throughout the Village. Timber Trails and Ridgewood Oaks Subdivisions will not be flushed since they are supplied from the LaGrange Highlands Sanitary District. All postcards were mailed out to the residents.

LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENTS

Municipal Services has submitted the loan nomination form to the IEPA for its phase II lead service line replacement plan. The Village and HR Green have increased their estimate for 45 lead replacements in 2026 at a cost of \$1,281,826.00.

Water Treatment Plant Open House

Ron Derengowski reported that Wednesday, May 7, 2025, the Water Treatment Plant will open its doors to the community between 6:00-7:30 PM. You may view the equipment and see the process of the treatment of our water. Activities will include a tour of the plant, a taste test vs. Lake Michigan vs. bottled water, and a hands-on demonstration with analyzing equipment used in water monitoring.

Eaton Breaker Failure

Superintendent Derengowski reported to the Committee that the plant experienced a mechanical failure with the main breaker at the Water Plant and it ran on a generator for five days. Eaton Electrical Services was able to provide a temporary spare breaker in place of the existing breaker until a new one could be installed. Emergency operations during this event totaled \$15,387.00. The new breaker with installation will total \$13,299.00.

Schedule for the Next Committee Meeting:

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 6, 2025, 5:00PM

Infrastructure Commission Meeting 5/6/2025 6:00PM

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 5:44 PM.

Respectfully Submitted: Jenny Pesek