

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE  
6/4/25

*Meeting called to order by DelMain at 8:56 AM*

Present: Liam DelMain, Nancy Pearson, Diane Fizell, BJ Havlik

Absent: Tom Bogaard

City Employees: Joel Weber, Ashley Dickey, Jacob Dickey

Public: Lynne Cornelius, Mike Hurley

Public Comment on Agenda Items

**No Public Comments**

1. Old Business
  - a. Manypenny project is underway, still planning for finishing by the end of July. They are problem solving some intersecting sewer and water lines, workaround shouldn't be too hard using 45 angle over pipes.
  - b. 10th St between Manypenny and Wilson will be redone completely after it is torn up and a new water main is installed.
  
2. Ross Smith has requested a driveway easement through Dalrymple Park Rd to access his lot from the North side. His driveway would start 300ft down Dalrymple Park Rd, and he would maintain that section of the road including plowing. He owns the lot on the other side as well, but wants separate access to this lot in order to build a new home. Concerns expressed by committee members included the following:
  - a. plowing of the road likely damaging it, as the road wasn't very well built and is quite uneven and lumpy
  - b. the city does not want to have to close Dalrymple campground for construction of any kind, as it is an important revenue source and local recreation resource
  - c. the campground road is special and has a particular character that would be altered by the addition of a private driveway
  - d. The landowner owns the lot on the other side which has a driveway, so access could be gained through that property

*Motion by DelMain to deny the request for a driveway easement on Dalrymple Park Rd by Ross Smith, in order to maintain use of campground and road as is. Seconded by Pearson. All in favor.*

3. Stop Work Order, Clarks  
The clarks were issued a stop work order on their property on the north east side of town of 13 down to the lake, because they were granted permission to build a 4-foot wide walking path and instead cleared and built a 10-foot wide gravel path (that a vehicle

could drive down). They were ordered to remove the gravel, which they have done. The staircase they constructed is still present. The gravel has been piled up on the property which is within a conservation easement, which is in violation of the rules regarding moving soils on conservation lands. They are on a timeline now to finish with the necessary removal of materials, after which they could begin to be fined per day if the removal is not done.

4. Mike Hurley, Lot Building Request

Mike Hurley is requesting to install a well and private septic system on his lots off Old Military Rd in the southwest corner of the city, as he is not close enough to hook up to city utilities on his desired home site. Discussion ensued regarding the process for this request, and the circumstances surrounding these particular lots. Mike Hurley amended his request to only include installing a well and private septic on lot 32338.

*Motion by Fizell to approve the request for permission to install a private well and septic system on lot 32338 by Mike Hurley. Seconded by Havlik. All in favor.*

5. Vacant Lots, utilities and infrastructure discussion

- a. DelMain created a one-pager for landowners interested in developing lots outside of the serviceable zone of city utilities. This should help Joel communicate with these people and provide easy guidelines as a starting place. Joel will proofread before it is shared widely.
- b. DelMain will head up forming a working group, with members from public works, PLAN commission, and others to start working on this problem. They will be sure to incorporate the goals and agreements laid out in the City's current comprehensive plan.

6. Utility Operator Report

- a. We are moving forward on exploring the installation of a new Kamstrup AMI metering system for our city water utility. A propagation study will happen this summer, to see where infrastructure would need to be placed in order to reach signals across the city. A temporary 30ft tower will likely be erected up by the reservoir as part of this study.
- b. A Kamstrup rep will be coming to the city council meeting on June 17th, anyone desiring more information is encouraged to attend! We will try to put them early in the agenda.

7. Set Next Meeting

- a. Next meeting will be at 9am on July 9th at City Hall.

*Meeting adjourned at 10:12am*