Safety and Infrastructure

July 21, 2021 - 6pm

Attendance:

Kelly Brown (abs), Troy Tripp, Debbie Wolf, Mayor Taylor

Old Business:

See new business minutes.

NEW BUSINESS-

Marietta St Project update- Engineers are finalizing the drawings for Marietta and it will go out for bid at the end of July-August. The project will pave from Strayer to Broad St. Paving will take place in Summer of 2022. Funds in part are coming from the Tax Levy.

Pool – The pool will be open until August 2^{nd} due to staffing issues with the lifeguards. Overall it has been a great year for the pool. A focus on swimming lessons and aerobics have been a great benefit for the community.

Main St. back to brick- Plan to discuss this project with the paving company that is awarded the bid for the Marietta St project. This will provide long term cost savings (rather than repaving) and will greatly improve the street aesthetics of the downtown area. At the council meeting this was announced and was well received at the March meeting.

Parking Downtown – Council heard complaints from business owners regarding parking downtown. It was discussed that when Marietta is repaved, the Village will ask them about repainting the additional parking spots that were lost due to the prior administration. The Mayor will check with the Engineer on the project.

Police for the Village-

Council voted to put a 5M 5 year levy for this November's election. Concern is due to regular speeding and safety concerns as well as having the potential for two bars in town. This will increase the need for regular police activity throughout the village into the evening hours as the bars will remain open. The village receives regular complaints from residents about the need for police. Kelly Brown proposed the police budget, and what the cost to the tax payer will be per year. Council voted to support the levy and give the village residents an opportunity to decide if they want regular policing.

Mayor obtained verbaige from Brian Zets and council passed the ordinance to be placed on the ballet. We are not sure if we have confirmation yet from the Board of Elections.

Kelly Brown provided the Committee with a report showing Fairfield County Sherrif's Office activity in Bremen from January to July 2021. The report was extensive.

Tim Rucker's house - New property owners are renovating the house and keeping Council updated on progress.

Old Hotel - They have complied with the items that Zoning requested.

Napa/Shonbarger Building – Committee also reviewed safety and structural concerns regarding this building and the public safety due to the location of this structure being located downtown and over the public walkway. Committee will recommend that Council take immediate action.

Trees – several dead ASH trees are being removed throughout town by the village workers as time allows.

Other street projects- Following Marietta Project, we will be looking into a chip/seal for Ruff Dr. and Highland we need to see what is left in the budget.

Water Plant – violation dated August 22, 2017 for no lid on the brine tank. We have a new lid thanks to the Mayor. Abated May 17, 2021.

Manhole – lady stepped into a manhole (meter pit) while walking along the dog walk. Stephanie Gains was the lady. She did not go immediately to the Hospital but did want to get x-rays afterwards. The cap was not screwed in and the village guys did fix the cover. The covers are not made to walk on.

Meeting adjourned at 6:37 pm Next Meeting August 18th 6pm.