

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20th, 2018
3:30 P.M.**

Present: Frank Sommerkamp, Bill Dorsey, Arlene Luebbe, Ralph Bailey, Genie Wambaugh, Ted Kute and Ed Wise. Paul Meier, and Rick Lunnemann also attended.

Absent: None.

Mr. Sommerkamp called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Approval of the May 16, 2018, Minutes. Motion by Bill Dorsey and seconded by Genie Wambaugh to approve the minutes as read. All voted in favor of the motion to approve the minutes.

Turkeyfoot Road Project Update

On May 31, 2018 Tim Williams sent a letter to College Park residents with an update on the Turkeyfoot Road Scoping Study project. A copy of the letter was included in the June Public Works Committee packet (and also attached to the June minutes). As a result of College Park residents receiving the letter, a large number residents from the neighborhood attended the June Public Works Committee meeting (see attached sign in sheet).

Mayor Meier explained to those present that Turkeyfoot Road is owned and maintained by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and any improvements to the road must be funded, planned, designed, and implemented by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC). He further explained that in 2003 the KYTC and the Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana Regional Council Governments (OKI) recognized traffic congestion was an issue in the Turkeyfoot Road corridor and they completed a study to mitigate the congestion. A number of the recommendations from the 2003 study have been implemented to improve traffic flow. However, over the years the traffic count along Turkeyfoot Road continued to rise and traffic congestion continues to be an issue today.

As a result, a few years ago, the City again approached the KYTC and state legislators about the traffic congestion issue. Additionally, the City Administrators of Crestview Hills and Edgewood made a presentation to the Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce Consensus Committee last year for the issue to be recognized as a regional issue for Northern Kentucky. The Consensus Committee recognized the importance of the corridor and supported the project as a Northern Kentucky regional issue last year. This past fall, the KYTC hired a consultant, Palmer Engineering, to perform a scoping study of the corridor and identify potential solutions to mitigate the traffic congestions issues. That study is currently on-going and is expected to be completed over the next several months. KYTC has indicated to the City that once the study is completed KYTC will have public meetings to obtain public comment about the potential options for addressing the congestion. Mayor Meier pointed out that during informal discussions with KYTC a few years ago, one potential solution discussed was to eliminate the current intersection of Town Center Boulevard and Turkeyfoot Road and re-route the intersection to Fraternity Drive

across from Thomas More Parkway. However, that idea was one potential solution and it is unknown at this time what the recommendations will be from Palmer Engineering.

Considerable discussion then occurred regarding the congestion issues along Turkeyfoot Road. Strong opposition from the residents of the College Park Subdivision was voiced regarding the potential of re-routing Town Center Boulevard so it aligns with Thomas More Parkway through Fraternity Drive. Many other potential solutions were suggested by those in attendance. The residents requested that the City oppose the potential option that would re-route the Town Center Boulevard intersection through Fraternity Drive across from Thomas More Parkway. The residents also requested that the City forward their potential solutions to KYTC for consideration.

Mayor Meier suggested that the College Park residents identify their top three solutions to address the congestion issue and send them to the City so they can then be forwarded to KYTC. In an effort expedite the process, he also suggested that they appoint a spokesperson from their neighborhood to collect the ideas and get them to the City. Mayor Meier offered the use of the City Building Community Room as a location for the residents to meet.

City Engineer Report

None

Staff Reports

1. Man O War Street Replacement Project Update

Mr. Lunnemann reported that the on-site meeting with residents regarding the Man O War street reconstruction project is scheduled to occur this evening from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Due to the thunderstorms predicted for this evening, the meeting was moved from the Man O War cul-de-sac to the Lookout Farm Clubhouse. Construction work is scheduled to begin the week of July 9.

2. Legends Way/Trevino Ridge Resurfacing Project Update

Mr. Lunnemann reported that City staff, and representatives from CT Consultants, and Bluegrass Paving recently met on Legends Way and Trevino Ridge to mark the sidewalk, curb and gutter, and the street failure that will require replacement prior to the street resurfacing work. Construction work to replace the sidewalk and the curb and gutter is scheduled to begin the week of July 9.

3. Shinkle Road Stream Bank Stabilization & Bridge Guardrail Replacement Update

Mr. Lunnemann reported that bids for the Shinkle Road stream bank stabilization and bridge guardrail replacement project are due on June 26, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. We anticipate that City Council will award a contract for project at their July 12, 2018 meeting.

4. Proposed Right-of-Way Ordinance Comments From Utilities

Mr. Lunnemann advised the Committee that Mark Guifoyle submitted comments to the City two (2) days after the deadline previously established by the Public Works Committee. Instead of submitting comments and justification for the comments, Mr. Guilfoyle actually proposed a

complete rewrite of the proposed ordinance which involved substantial deletions and other changes. The right-of-way ordinance subcommittee, City staff, and the City Attorney will be meeting in a few weeks to review the proposal. We anticipate the subcommittee will have a recommendation for the Public Works Committee at the July meeting regarding the right-of-way ordinance.

Adjournment

Mr. Sommerkamp announced the next Meeting is scheduled for July 18, 2018 at 3:30 p.m.

With no further business before the Committee, Mr. Dorsey made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Wise. All voted in favor of the motion. Meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.