

TOWN OF GIBRALTAR
SPECIAL MEETING AND CLOSED SESSION
PER WISCONSIN STATE STATUTES 19.85(1) (c) and (e)
TOWN OF GIBRALTAR
JULY 25, 2017
GIBRALTAR TOWN CENTER
4097 HIGHWAY 42, FISH CREEK WI 54212
7:00 P.M.

Approved: August 2, 2017

Call to Order: Dick Skare called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Roll call/Quorum

Present: Dick Skare, Steve Sohns, Brian Hackbarth, Barb McKesson and Dwayne Daubner

Agenda/proper notice/adopt agenda: *Motion: (Hackbarth, McKesson) to adopt the agenda as posted. Carried*

Spring Road improvements: Dick Skare stated one of the considerations for this meeting is to flesh out questions regarding the project. Skare introduced John Kolodziej, DC Highway Commissioner. The desire is to have the 30' cross section down the entire length of Spring Road. The road is not centered in the 66' ROW; the road is pushed in both directions. From # 8812 to 8870 it is shifted to the west. On the easterly side there are a number of rock outcroppings and on the west side the drop. There will be quite bit of tree removal and excavation on the easterly side. Necessary tree cutting vary along the distance of the road. There may be up to 10' of trees that will have to be removed in certain areas. From #8918 to 8976 the road has to be shifted quite a bit. The box culvert (bridge) is in good condition, 12' extensions will be added to both sides of the culvert. Two areas are slated for line of sight improvement, the road would be cut down. After the work is completed the road surface will be approximately 4" higher than it currently is so shaping will need to be done. This year some work would be done. The thought is to start in late fall so there could still be a temporary patch and settling of the gravel.

Concerns included:

- No need to straighten the road
- Loss of trees
- Safety of the drop off at the quarry
- Line of sight is critical for bicycles
- Bob Berg wants to be able to put in a driveway to his property that is south of the quarry, the current rock formations are prohibitive
- Rentmeester stated they have a spring on their property, base of the spring is close to the road and runs nearly year round; concern is on any impact on the spring
- Driveways will be matched to the road at no greater than 10 degrees.
- When pulverizing the road is kept open; usually 2 weeks from pulverizing to paving
- There is no intention to blast
- Line of sight cut down this year with a thin layer of asphalt to make it through winter
- Post boxes – the county will remove, property owner to reinstall
- Brick paver driveway - County will remove the stones and place to the side, if the property owner does not want asphalt it is typically up to the property owner to put the stone back. The town could have the highway department put the stone in place but that would be negotiated between the town and property owner
- What about wash out on shoulders
- Any type of structure should be off the ROW
- “Irrevocable Permit” for structures in the ROW can do repairs up to 50%

- Thurman requested the town consider doing less than 100% of the bike path, to allow well established trees to remain and decrease road construction cost
- Safety issues
- The board had not considered doing less than the whole road
- #8838 is the widest variation in the road
- Concern that speeds will increase if the road is opened
- This addition of the bike lane is in the bike and ped plan. It is not safe right now
- No through truck signs were requested along with weight limits
- Safety is a primary criteria, could the speed limit be reduced
- Minimum width for a bike lane is 5'
- Thurman be mindful of the brushing guidelines
- Mark the trees that need to be removed

Skare thanked the residents for their input and John for his assistance in the process. Pete Hurth, John Kolodziej and Dick Skare will meet at some areas of concern next week; property owners are welcome to meet with them. John will refresh the construction numbers for decision making.

Road maintenance issues:

Cracksealing – Tar and chip process

John Kolodziej stated the advantage of chip sealing is that it is a relatively inexpensive process that can add a 6-7 years of life to the road. When a road is 5-7 years old is when to use chip sealing. If there are larger cracks then crackseal first and then chip seal on top of that. The asphalt product stays relatively flexible. Cost is \$14,000 - \$16,000 per mile to chip seal and \$6,000 - \$12,000 per mile for crack filling. Chip sealing will not be done on a high bike traffic road. Given the amount of work the county has this year it is unknown how much crack filling will be able to get done. Motion: (Hackbarth, McKesson) *to hire the county to do crack filling up to \$60,000. following the priority plan. Carried*

Motion: (Hackbarth, Sobns) to approve the quotation form from North East Asphalt for the Gibraltar Road LRIP project. Carried

Shouldering is scheduled to be in September.

Update on Highway 42 project: With the rezoning of the additional beach property Option #2 will need to be revised. Pete Hurth will revised the building envelope and send to Jeremy. Follow up will be done on the SEH memo. Letters were sent to “historic properties” from the DOT showing changes with respect to the property and the project.

Enter Closed Session: *Motion: (McKesson, Daubner) to enter into closed session at 8:53 p.m. Carried by roll call vote Sobns, Skare, Hackbarth, McKesson and Daubner*

- A. Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility
- B. Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Consideration of property acquisition

Exit closed session: *Motion: (McKesson, Daubner) to exit closed session at 10:06 p.m. Carried* The board entered into open session.

Approve action taken in closed session: *Motion: (Sohns, Daubner) to approve action taken in closed session. Carried with Hackbarth opposed.*

- A. Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility – Employee evaluations
- B. Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, investing – Purchase of public property

Adjourn: *Motion: (Hackbarth, McKesson) to adjourn at 10:05 p.m. Carried*

Respectfully Submitted,

Beth Hagen, Clerk