

**TOWN OF GIBRALTAR  
SPECIAL MEETING  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2017  
7:00 PM**

**Approved: September 6, 2017**

**Call to Order:** Dick Skare called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

**Roll call/quorum:**

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

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

**DOT Update:**

- Storm Sewer Outfall at Gibraltar Beach:
  - Option 2 with elliptical 30" minimum
  - Town to determine outfall at water
- County F Sidewalk Design:
  - State program reduced to Hilltop driveway
  - Any extension would need to be done separately by the town
- Spruce Street Intersection Drainage:
  - It is considered a maintenance issue at the town's cost
  - It was noted that the vane drains only catch ¼ of the water runoff
- Spruce Intersection - ADA Curb Ramp Design:
  - Bump out choice at On Deck to be on an agenda, look at Husby's for example
- Hide Side Corner Store Sidewalk Extension:
  - Will need full plan set with retaining design from SEH, Town will need to do easement agreement
  - Dick to talk to Kristen (DOT) on pay for service
  - Temporary Limited Easement for Noble House curb ramp
- Fences: On top of retaining walls, top of the hill at the school and sidewalk going up hill
  - Time until the end of the year for decision, potential of town determination of fence
  - Different types of fencing for different locations.
- Splitter Island Aesthetics:
  - YMCA and Auditorium concrete cap?
  - Consistent at both splitters
  - Rapid flash beacon installation will need to be coordinated by town
  - Keep right on each nose and pedestrian crossing signs
- Detectable Warning Field Color:
  - Consensus on natural patina
- Terrace Finishing at Retaining Walls:
  - Block face finish to be determined
  - Grass between sidewalk and chain link fence.
- Other: Vortechnic Unit sizing/costs
  - 40% Unit cost \$18,985
  - 60% Unit cost \$23,350
  - 80% Unit cost \$31,545
  - Provided unit costs are estimated material only
  - Town cost includes installation cost at 75% State/25% Local cost share. Installation cost assumed equal among all units.
  - WisDOT will pay for 75% cost share on the 40% Reduction unit. All additional cost will be 100% local cost. Town board to go with 80% TSS Reduction.

**Trackless Repair:** Patrick Strantz gave a review of the snow removal equipment both current and being proposed. Approximate cost to repair the trackless at Bruce Equipment is \$6-7,000 parts and labor; not included is pick-up and

delivery. Resale value is undetermined, fixed vs. as is. The 1999 purchase price was \$15,000. The unit has been plagued with various issues that have exceeded \$10,000 in repairs. Strantz presented a Wacker Neuson equipment option (base price \$53,000) and Sohns presented a Ventrac option (base price \$20,050). Each felt their option best aligned with the town's needs. *Motion: (Hackbarth, Daubner) not to fix the trackless and put replacement options on an agenda. Carried with Skare opposed.*

**Town Hall Furnace Repair:** Strantz reported Eagle Mechanical diagnosed the condenser problem and resolved at no cost to the town.

**Operations Agreement:** The board reviewed Wisconsin §114.14 in regard to the town and village operations agreement for the Ephraim-Gibraltar Airport. The board agreed as a whole the commission was doing a good job for the airport but there were a few sticking points not only with the commission but with the village board. Questions raised included levels of permission that can be given to the commission, demoting a commission to a committee, etc. The board agreed that some of the questions they have would be best answered by counsel. The board will plan to have a meeting with the town's appointed commission members.

**Project Funding:** Skare stated this was put on the agenda as funding projects questions and determinations are soon needed. In particular, discussion with property owners (the school, residents and art school) improvements may be considered part of the negotiation package. Discussion points:

- Sidewalks for the school and auditorium are for everyone, it should be a northern door county cost
- Sidewalk cost should be shared with property owner
- The town is only paying 20% of project cost
- Consider financing to property owner
- YMCA should be a northern door county cost
- Look at numbers for the hill, fencing, retaining wall and compare to non-hill
- Option - town pay for wall and fence and property owner pay for sidewalk
- Skare to have a conversation with Terrie Cooper DCLT about holding the CI island purchase as a cooperative carrot on the conservancy easement

**Spring Road Update:** Skare gave a recap of the meeting of John Kolodziej, Pete Hurth and Spring Road property owners. The willingness to compromise where there were areas of concerns (number of trees to be removed, shifting the road east or west, etc.) yielded a positive outcome. Feedback on the Spring Road meeting and walking conversation has been very positive. Given the changes made John Kolodziej will requote the work. Pete Hurth will make the changes to the road map.

**Adjourn:** *Motion: (Hackbarth, McKesson) to adjourn at 10:23 p.m. Carried*

Respectfully Submitted,

Beth Hagen  
Clerk