

*Village of Fall Creek*  
*Minutes of Public Works Committee Meeting*  
*April 24, 2019*

1. **Call to Order:** 3:00 p.m., Village Hall Meeting Room, 122 E. Lincoln Ave., Fall Creek
2. **Roll Call:** Members Present: Chairman Joyce Aldrich, Tim Raap, Karen Strasburg. Members Absent: None. Staff Present: Public Works Director Bryan Kaatz, Deputy Clerk Joan Drehmel. Also Present: Trustee Dane Zook.
3. **Certify Open Meeting Law Requirements Have Been Met:** A notice of the meeting and an agenda was posted in the three public places and local newspapers were notified.
4. **Adopt Agenda:**
  - MOTION (Strasburg/Raap) to adopt the agenda as printed. PASSED, without negative vote.
5. **Consider Policy Regarding Storm Water Runoff:** Chairman Aldrich explained that this item was referred to committee from a regular board meeting. A citizen expressed concerns regarding a homeowner diverting rain water directly to the storm sewer instead of filtering through the soil. He asked the Village to consider an ordinance to prevent this. Public Works Director Kaatz commented that the amount of rain water in this case was not a concern. The Village does want the residents to know that water going down the storm drain goes directly to the creek and pond, not to the wastewater treatment plant, so it is important to prevent materials from going down the storm drains that could potentially pollute the water or adversely affect wildlife. The committee felt that an ordinance was not needed at this time, and that Building Inspector Steve Maley could monitor new construction to prevent this from happening again. Any new subdivision could install a retention pond to help control storm water flow. Information about storm water runoff could be included in the Village newsletter.

Also referred from a prior regular board meeting, Postmaster Dan Barlie's concerns about storm water runoff at the Post Office which resulted in 5 slip-and-fall incidents last winter in the parking lot. The committee was asked to review his request to allow the post office to pipe the storm water into the storm drain. Public Works Director Kaatz reported that the nearest storm drain is on McKinley Avenue which could be cost prohibitive – instead the Public Works Dept can sand the parking lot more often in the winter to help prevent falls.
6. **Consider Request for Ordinance re: Removal of Garbage Cans:** This item was also referred to committee from a regular board meeting as complaints have been received about residents leaving empty garbage cans on the street days after the pick-up date. Committee reviewed the City of Eau Claire's ordinance and discussed other options of notifying property owners.
  - MOTION (Raap/Strasburg) recommending placing a reminder in the Village newsletter asking residents to put garbage cans away after pick-up day, and keep yards clean of other debris. PASSED, without negative vote.
7. **Adjourn:**
  - MOTION (Raap/Strasburg) @ 3:35 p.m. PASSED, without negative vote.

Joan Drehmel, Deputy Clerk