Village of Fall Creek

Minutes of Public Works, Public Safety & Property Committee Meeting March 23, 2023

- 1. Call to Order: 4:31 p.m., Village Hall Meeting Room, 122 E. Lincoln Ave., Fall Creek
- 2. Roll Call: Members Present: Chairperson Sheena Kaatz, Trustees Karen Herbison, Matt Mattoon. Members Absent: None. Staff Present: Clerk-Treasurer Renee Roemhild. Also Present: 1 citizen.
- **3.** Certify Open Meeting Law Requirements Have Been Met: A notice of the meeting and an agenda was posted at the three public places and local newspapers were notified.
- 4. Adopt Agenda:
 - MOTION (Herbison/Mattoon) to adopt the agenda as printed. PASSED, without negative vote.

5. Old Business

A. Parking/Safety on Wisconsin in Front of School During Early Morning & Mid-Afternoon: Trustee Matt Mattoon reported he has not been able to meet at the school with Elementary School Principal Ashley Goodman-Mason. He will still do that and will report back.

6. New Business

- **A.** Items Left on Curb: Committee Chair Sheena Kaatz relayed some concerns that have been shared regarding the public putting items for sale or for free on the boulevard. Some items have been left on the boulevard for an extended period of time and it can become very unsightly for the Village as a whole. Discussion took place regarding the problem and possible recommendations to remedy it. Resident Vern Ming spoke on his impression of the problem and how he thought it should be handled.
 - MOTION (Mattoon/Herbison) to recommend the Board create an ordinance to limit the amount of time citizens can put "free" or "for-sale" items on the boulevard to seven days. PASSED, without negative vote.
- **B.** Enforcement/Ordinance re: Parking, Items in Yards, Shoveling: Kaatz reported on complaints received regarding vehicles being parked in yards and some that appear to be unregistered. Discussion took place that the committee would first want to find out what the current policy for enforcement has been so the matter will be brought up again at a later meeting.

Discussion took place on sidewalks that haven't been shoveled and wondering what the current enforcement policy has been on that. Ideas were discussed such as hiring an independent contractor to do the snow removal so it doesn't put an undue burden on the public works crew.

- MOTION (Mattoon/Herbison) to have a conversation with Jared, Josh & Jamie regarding shoveling and mowing to get an idea of the benefit and cost comparison of having them do it as opposed to outsourcing it. The committee would also like to see a graduated cost that increases for repeat offenders. PASSED, without negative vote.
- **7. Adjourn**: 5:25 p.m.