

Village of Downs

Streets, Alleys and Sidewalks Committee

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Report For July 2009

The first committee meeting was held on July 23rd, 2009. Four volunteers were in attendance and are submitted for approval at the August Village Board Meeting.

Subsequent meetings will be held at the Village Hall on the last Thursday of the month at 7 pm.

Committee's purpose:

To establish planning and funding for all projects pertaining to streets, alleys and sidewalks within the Village of Downs.

The following summarizes the activity completed since the last Village Board Meeting.

- 1) Received two more individuals interested in doing snow plowing for the Village. I wrote up requirements and expectations for snow removal and salting and will present to the committee.
- 2) Looked into a weight limit ordinance. We will need to establish one to cover all roads and put up an additional 8-9 signs.
- 3) Received several calls and notes about missing signs and signs that need to be moved.
- 4) Completed two more sections of the ditch work project on Cleveland. One section remains.
- 5) Additional white rock was put down to fill holes and muddy areas along side of road. Received call about a spot on E Main and Lincoln.
- 6) Received complaint form for sink hole behind Kelly's house. (1035 Mallard Dr)
- 7) Provided, at the homeowner's expense, a 4' x 15" culvert and band to 108 N Gadwell. We will need to bill him.
- 8) No progress on the Main sink hole.
- 9) No progress on ditch reshaping work needed in Mallard Pt, Kickapoo Dr and Main st.
- 10) No progress on the movement of the street light on Rt150 and old 800N.
- 11) Received a request to put up a street light at the RR tracks on Main St. Will be talking with Jeff Schenkel about this and #10.
- 12) I met with DUMCTrustees about ditch and culvert needs on S. Price.
- 13) Greg Stark agreed to allow us to stash and burn limbs, etc for the Village. Eventually would like to carve out some of our land southeast of the Village as a place to dump tree limbs from storms.
- 14) I met with McLean County (Eric Schmidt) about signs, salt and culvert pricing. We are all set for salt storage and have to take at least 32 tons of salt. Eric will provide me with the amount of salt we have left from last year (~23 ton).
- 15) Road seal coat work is scheduled to be done the week of Aug 17th, 2009 weather permitting. Roads that will be done in part or whole will be Huff Rd (2000E), Eider Ct., Quail Ct., N Price St, W. Franklin St and Fox Run. Patience and consideration for this work and the workers is appreciated.

The committee will continue to look for volunteers to help on work days. I continue to appeal to the resources in town that have knowledge and ability to volunteer in helping get this work done a lot faster. Please contact myself or any committee member if you would like to help.

Please help keep drains, ditches and culverts clear of garbage, leaves and debris so that it doesn't clog up culvert's and make them any worse and ultimately, over time, cost the Village more money.

In your Service, Mike James

Streets, Alleys and Sidewalks Committee Chair

Ordinance of the Month

<u>Chapter 4, Article II, Section 3:</u> No garbage or refuse of any kind shall be deposited in any street, alley or public way and no such refuse shall be placed that is can be blown about or scattered by the wind.