



Village of Downs

Streets, Alleys and Sidewalks Committee

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Report For October 2009

The monthly committee meeting was not held due to not enough members going to be present. Monthly meetings are open to the public and are held at the Village Hall on the last Thursday of the month at 7 pm. However, the November and December meetings will be on the 3rd Thursday due to Thanksgiving, Christmas and News Years.

Committee purpose:

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

Committee Recommendation(s):

- 1) Create Village ordinance to set the speed limit to 25 mph unless otherwise posted.
- 2) Create Village ordinance for weight limits and truck routes.

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

- 1) Mike requested the state review the pre-construction pictures for the Seminary St park entrance.
- 2) Futher modified the weight limit ordinance and owe thanks to Mr Soeldner for his help on working out the county truck route.
- 3) No progress on moving the water main shutoff on Cleveland that is right in front of the culvert.
- 4) Mayor talked it NICOR about the Main sink hole.
- 5) Getting estimates from Roger Shoemaker for ditch and culvert work that needs to be completed.
- 6) No progress on the movement of the street light on Rt150 and old 800N. Additional lights are needed throughout the village.
- 7) No progress on speed bumps to Main and N Pintail and additional stop signs. Stop signs are not to be used to control speed.
- 8) No progress made on Huff and Main tofill pot holes.
- 9) All street lights have been fixed.
- 10) Contacted the school to participate in creating an Illinois Safe Routes Plan for 2010. Committee will be formed and initial meeting will be held in November.

Planned work for next month:

- 1) Fill holes with cold patch and rock
- 2) Culvert and/or ditch work on Price, E. Washington and Kickapoo Drive
- 3) Illinois Safe Routes Committee kickoff meeting
- 4) Replace/Install signs
- 5) Clear S. Huff Rd for village material storage
- 6) Clear alley's and roadways of low limbs and bushes
- 7) Clean out clogged culvert pipes
- 8) Investigate field tile problem on Cleveland

The committee continues to acquire names of volunteers to help on work days. Please contact myself or any committee member if you would like to help.

IMPORTANT: 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 - Village of Downs Trustee and Streets, Alleys and Sidewalks Committee Chair