



Village of Downs

Streets, Alleys and Sidewalks Committee

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September 2009 Committee Meeting

When: September 24th, 2009
Where: Village Hall
Time: 7:00 pm CST

Agenda

- 1) Call to order and pledge
7:03 pm
- 2) Recognition of visitors
Mr. Massey expressed concerns regarding placing a stop sign on N. Pintail and Main. His concern is if a sign is placed near his driveway entrance it would be too difficult to exit the driveway because of the placement of his drive and the stop sign.
- 3) Current activity or since last meeting
None
- 4) Action items
 - a. Develop sidewalk work plan for 2009
See updated list provided by Mike regarding sidewalk improvements and funding. Information was presented regarding the "Safe Route Program" for state funding of sidewalks. A committee will be formed to develop a school safety program to present to IDOT for approval. Lori will provide more information regarding this program.
 - b. Develop ordinance change for new stop sign locations
It was agreed by all to recommend to the board to place additional stop signs at Washington and Price and Harvey Rd and Fox Run. Other stop sign considerations will be pended.
 - c. Develop ordinance change for Village speed limit
It was agreed by all to recommend to the board to lower the speed limit to 25 mph unless posted otherwise. Mike F will draft a letter to send to the school once implemented.
 - d. Develop ordinance for speed bumps
This has been tabled for further discussion.
Paul will work on getting a petition signed for the placement of a speed bump on Pintail.
 - e. Develop road maintenance plan for next month
Discussion was held on what Mike James would like to work toward completing each month. This will be used to provide work orders to the part-time worker.
 - f. Develop sign replacement/addition plan for next month
The Village needs 9 signs added for weight limits. Mike also has a list of the missing signs and will provide at a later date.



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- 5) Discussion items
 - a. Water main break procedures
Mike will ask at next board meeting if the subject is not presented. He will let the committee know if there are current procedures in place.
 - b. Weight limit ordinance
Mike said this will go before the board this month if we get all the answers from the county highway dept.
 - c. Snow removal contract
Joe Eades snow removal contract was renewed for the 2009/2010 season.
 - d. Volunteers working for the village
This was approved by the Village board that we could have volunteers working for the village. The inter-governmental agreement with Downs Township was approved but is on hold until signed by Downs Township.
 - e. Street light outages or not working
This was brought to the attention of Ameren but nothing has been completed. Mike will contact Ameren again regarding outages. Notify Mike if you notice any not functioning properly.
 - f. Overgrown lots/trees/bushes/ obstructing view
Discussion was held about a community clean-up day.
 - g. Street Flags
Mike will contact Gladys Huff regarding purchasing or using the American Flags that was previously used on the poles along Seminary street.
- 6) Other New Business
Revised the S.A.S. work order request, added a comment section and determined that the order would need to be signed off by the Mayor or a Village Trustee.
- 7) Meeting adjourned
9:12 pm

Mike James

Village of Downs Trustee
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