



Village of Downs

Streets, Alleys and Sidewalks Committee

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Report For September 2009

The monthly committee meeting was held on September 24th, 2009 at 7 pm at the Village Hall. Monthly meetings are open to the public and are held at the Village Hall on the last Thursday of the month at 7 pm.

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) Repair the sidewalks: 1) West side of park along S Lincoln St, 2) Corner of N Lincoln and Washington, 3) East side of N Lincoln between Grove and Garfield, 3) Supply material for W. Washington by DUMC, 4) S Seminary St.
- 2) Create Village ordinance to set the speed limit to 25 mph unless otherwise posted.
- 3) Create Village ordinance for weight limits and truck routes.
- 4) Modify Stop sign ordinance to make Price and Washington a 4-way stop and make Fox Run and Harvey Rd a 3-way stop.

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

- 1) Bridge work on Rt 150 is on schedule was completed early and looks awesome. Will follow-up with the state on the park entrance.
- 2) Mr Dodds completed weight limit ordinance and is still researching how to put signage on Seminary for W. Franklin St.
- 3) No progress on moving the water main shutoff on Cleveland that is right in front of the culvert. Bids received.
- 4) No progress on the Main sink hole.
- 5) No progress on ditch reshaping work needed in Mallard Pt, Kickapoo Dr, S Price St and Main St.
- 6) No progress on the movement of the street light on Rt150 and old 800N. Additional lights are needed throughout the village.
- 7) Committee researching adding 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) Several street light outages were not fixed. Reported them again to Ameren.
- 10) Developed a work order to use for contractor and employee work to be done on the streets.

Planned work for next month:

- 1) Fill holes with cold patch and rock
- 2) Start work on culverts and ditches
- 3) Complete Cleveland St ditch work
- 4) Submit plan and bids for sidewalk repair (Please contact Mike James if you want to bid on this project)
- 5) Work with DUMC to complete ditch work on Price Street
- 6) Organize a sub-committee to work with the school, etc for establishing a plan to submit for Illinois Safe Routes Program
- 7) Start work on organizing a Village work/clean-up days

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.

As always, 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

Ordinance of the Month

Chapter 8, Article II, Section 1: Is shall be unlawful to plant any tree or shrub in any parkway or other public place without having first secured a permit...