



## Streets, Alleys and Sidewalks Committee

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### *Street Report For May 2010*

The monthly committee meeting was moved due to schedules and held on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Monthly meetings are open to the public and are held at the Village Hall on the last Thursday of the month at 7 pm.

#### **Chairman's Message:**

June is appropriations month as we set the budget for the year and adopt several ordinances that are required by the state. The Streets, Alleys and Sidewalk fund budget will be set this year at ~\$18k in revenue + ~\$10.5k balance with a \$28k expenditure. Although this shows we are spending all the money, we don't intend to run the well dry. We appropriate out all the money just in case it is needed for a large/unexpected expenditure during the year.

Mowing continues to help deliver savings to the village as we have saved over \$3,000 from last year. We have before the board a request to purchase a weed eater/brush cutter and chain saw, which will cost the village ~\$700. These are items that we don't own, but have been borrowing from residents.

Huff Road restoration from the sewer is behind schedule because of rain and sewer pipe pressure test delays. Over the next couple of weeks you should see it restored. Once the sewer work has been completed on Main and Huff we will put in the 3-way stop and T-intersection.

We have received a lot of rain this spring, but complaints about basement flooding has stopped. If you are still getting water in your basement from tile back-up or street water run-off, please give me a call.

Finally, the committee is sending to the board recommendations for new street sign designs. Since we have to replace all of our street signs by 2018, we are taking a look at what can be done to "set Downs apart" with the design of our street signs. The board reviewed the 3 recommended designs and will act on it next month. Please let a board member know your opinion. The change is mostly in the color: 1. White on Green (traditional) 2. White on Blue and 3. White on Black. Superscript for direction and street type and upper/lower case letters. I will leave an approximate sample at the village hall.

Please call me at (309) 830-7374 to discuss your ANY of your concerns.

In your Service,

Mike James - Village of Downs Trustee and Streets, Alleys and Sidewalks Committee Chair

#### **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) Street sign design recommendations (blue/white, white/black, green/white)
- 2) Modified SAS Appropriations Budget for FY 2010
- 3) Recommended purchase of weed/brush eater
- 4) Recommended purchase of chain saw

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

- 1) Completed S. Price St ditch work.
- 2) Cold patch edges and holes
- 3) Cut roadside edges on Harvey, Quail Ct and Oak St.
- 4) Scraped the alley in between Lincoln and Cleveland again to try and redirect water from house on Washington.

#### **Planned work for next month:**

- 1) Remove the heaving sidewalk along Lincoln, broken unused sidewalk on W. Main and S Lincoln.
- 2) Continue to fill holes with cold patch and rock as weather allows.
- 3) Other alleys need to be scraped and gravel added.
- 4) Complete other ditch and culvert cleanout work.