

**Cuyahoga Falls City Council**  
**Minutes of the Public Improvements Committee Meeting**  
**March 19, 2007**

**Members:** Jerry James, Chair  
Debbie Ritzinger  
Terry Mader

Mr. James called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. All members were present.

The minutes of February 20, 2007 were approved as submitted.

**Legislation Considered:**

Temp. Ord. B-48

**Discussion:**

**Temp. Ord. B-48**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to execute a modification of the contract for professional engineering services for improvements to the Howe Avenue and Main Street intersection, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. James read B-48 (second reading). Mr. Brodzinski referred to line 30 in the ordinance, requesting that the amount of \$53,000 be changed to \$72,000 (ODOT reimbursement).

Mr. Demasi said this intersection is one of the most dangerous in Summit and Portage counties. In April 2005, the City began working with ODOT on an interim fix. In December 2005, the City petitioned ODOT for a much larger project to fix the problem long-term at an estimated cost of \$1.2 million. Design should be completed in July of this year, with construction to begin in the first quarter of 2009.

Mr. James asked if traffic will be maintained during construction. Mr. Demasi said yes.

Mrs. Ritzinger asked how much will be paid by ODOT. Mr. Demasi said ODOT will pay 90% of the project.

Mrs. Pyke asked if the construction will result in more traffic on Huddleston. Mr. Demasi said not necessarily.

*The committee recommended bringing out Temp. Ord. B-48 for approval.*

The meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.



