

**Cuyahoga Falls City Council**  
**Minutes of the Public Improvements Committee Meeting**  
**June 19, 2006**

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

Mr. James called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. All members were present.

The minutes of June 5, 2006 were approved as submitted.

**Legislation Considered:**

Temp. Ord. A-70  
Temp. Res. A-71  
Sub. Temp. Res. A-72  
Sub. Temp. Ord. A-73

**Discussion:**

***Temp. Ord. A-70***

An ordinance determining to proceed with and authorizing a contract or contracts for the improvement of Williams Street from Prospect Avenue to Taylor Avenue, including concrete curbs, catch basins, water lines and storm and sanitary sewers where required, roadway asphalt or concrete paving, concrete driveway aprons and concrete sidewalks where required, together with necessary appurtenances thereto, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. James read A-70 (second reading). Mr. Demasi said this is the last street in the area to be reconstructed. Equalization meeting was held last year, and the project design should be done in the next couple of weeks. Construction should begin in September. This is a state Issue II project.

Mr. James asked how long the project would take. Mr. Demasi said about 12 months.

Mrs. Pyke asked what portion of the work will take place in 2007. Mr. Demasi said that this year would include underground utilities, sanitary sewer, waterline and roadway. If weather permits, all will be completed this year. If not, concrete sidewalks and drive approaches will be completed next year. Mrs. Pyke asked why we didn't go out earlier for design. Mr. Demasi said the City applied for Issue II funds in July 2004 and didn't receive approval until early 2005. There was no money budgeted for design in 2005.

***The committee recommended bringing out Temp. Ord. A-70 for approval.***

**Temp. Res. A-71**

A resolution pledging cooperation by the City of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, in the matter of rebuilding Chart Road, from State Road to 500-feet east of Keyser Parkway, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. James read A-71 (second reading). Mr. Demasi said this is a re-apply for Issue II funds. The City applied for this project last year, but monies available from reserve accounts from other projects were insufficient to cover the cost. The Public Works Commission recommended we re-apply for the following funding year with the idea that as other projects in the district close out, the balances be enough to fund the project.

***The committee recommended bringing out Temp. Res. A-71 for approval.***

**Sub. Temp. Res. A-72**

A resolution pledging cooperation by the City of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, in the matter of the rehabilitation of Graham Road, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. James read Sub. A-72 (second reading). Mr. Demasi said the resolution originally submitted included the words "resurfacing" or "resurface" ; they have been replaced in the substitute with the words "rehabilitation" or "rehabilitate". The scope of the project has broadened to include other work besides resurfacing. The new wording also applies to Sub. A-73.

Mrs. Pyke asked what percentage of the project the City is applying for. Mr. Demasi said 50%, with the City of Stow as the lead on the Issue II application.

Mrs. Colavecchio asked if there are plans to make a tree line on the south side of Graham Road, since pedestrians must walk on sidewalks very close to the roadway. Mr. Demasi said there may not be enough right-of-way for a tree line.

Mrs. Klinger asked Mr. Demasi if he could be more specific about the scope of the project. Mr. Demasi said it will include concrete replacements, signal coordination and video detection. Total cost is \$1.6 million. Mrs. Klinger asked how this would impact the 5-year capital plan. Mr. Brodzinski said he s looking at the plan and will provide Council with details as to how this project will fit in.

Mrs. Hummel said she would like to see a revised capital budget. She asked what the City s share of the project would be. Mr. Demasi said it would be half of the \$1.6 million total. Mrs. Hummel asked if the cost included engineering. Mr. Demasi the City of Stow did the engineering in-house at no cost to us.

***The committee recommended bringing out Sub. Temp. Res. A-72 for approval.***

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**Sub.Temp. Ord. A-73**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a cooperative agreement with the City of Stow, Ohio, to share the cost of engineering and construction for the rehabilitation of Graham Road from State Road to the Bridge over State Route 8 expressway, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. James read Sub. A-73 (second reading).

***The committee recommended bringing out Sub. Temp. Ord. A-73 for approval.***

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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