

**DECEMBER 10, 2018
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF EDGERTON**

Chair Debbie Olson called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Committee members present were Debbie Olson, Mark Wellnitz and Jim Burdick. Also present were City Administrator Ramona Flanigan, Public Works Director Tom Hartzell, Interim Police Chief Randy Meehan, Alderperson Matt McIntyre, Alderperson Candy Davis, and several citizens.

Flanigan confirmed the agendas were properly posted on Friday, December 7, 2018 at the Post Office, Edgerton Library and City Hall.

APPROVE MINUTES: A Wellnitz/Burdick motion to approve the October 1, 2018 Public Works Committee minutes passed, all voted in favor.

CONSIDER MEANS TO ADDRESS SPEEDING CONCERNS ON DICKINSON AVE: Residents continue to request excessive speeding be addressed on Dickinson Ave. The Police Department has been providing extra monitoring recently but has not found a significant issue. Citizens have indicated that high volume of speeding occurs from 7-8 AM and during the high school lunch hour. Interim Police Chief Meehan stated that it is difficult to give tickets on this short street in accordance with radar requirements. Meehan offered to continue to put officers there when possible and to encourage compliance via Facebook and other media options.

Several residents from the area voiced their concern that they have witnessed vehicles speeding, not yielding to pedestrians utilizing the park, and disregarding stop signs at George Street and Hubert Street. Options discussed to address the issues included installation of crosswalks, additional stop signs, and reducing the speed limit. Alderperson Burdick does not believe additional stop signs would not be helpful. Alderperson Olson suggested reducing the speed limit as it would be the least expensive option.

An Olson/Wellnitz motion to reduce speed limit on Dickinson Avenue to 15 MPH and request staff investigate pavement marking and crosswalk passed on a 2/1 roll call vote.

CONSIDER PARKING RESTRICTIONS ON HENDERSON STREET: Public Works Director, Tom Hartzell, proposed changing parking regulations from allowing parking on both sides of Henderson Street, to parking only allowed on the south side of Henderson Street from Main Street to Nunn Bush, starting 65 feet east of North Main Street. Since the street is only 30 feet wide, it reduces the amount of available driving space on the road especially problematic near Main Street. Vehicles are forced to drive in the center of the road if both sides are utilized.

Multiple citizens voiced opposition to the change in the parking regulations. Concerns about eliminating parking include safety of crossing the street to a parked vehicle and increased speed due to less parking. Alderperson Olson was not in favor of reducing parking availability on a low traffic street. She recommended eliminating parking at the corner of North Main Street and Henderson Street only to assist with corner visibility.

An Olson/Burdick motion to eliminate parking 50 feet east of Main Street on both sides of Henderson Street passed, all voted in favor.

STAFF REPORT: Public Works Director stated the new plow for the pick-up has arrived. The department is ready for the upcoming snow/salt season.

Being no other business before the Committee, a Wellnitz/Burdick motion to adjourn passed, all voted in favor.

Ramona Flanigan/jas
City Administrator