

VILLAGE OF ARENA
Arena, WI 53503

MINUTES

DATE: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2024

TIME: 5:00 PM

PLACE: Village Hall, 345 West Street, Arena, Wisconsin

PURPOSE: PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING WITH THE FOLLOWING AGENDA:

- 1. Call to Order at 5:03 p.m.**
- 2. Roll Call:** Kristen Shea, Brittany Carney – via phone, Absent – Jim Doerflinger
Others: Kate Reimann, Rich Meili-PW Sup, Village Clerk
- 3. Two-minute public comment:** Becca Raven Uminowicz – I see that Public Works only meets when needed, with all of the work going on and the water leak, recommend considering having the meeting monthly so citizens can stay informed and offer information.
- 4. APPEARANCES:**
- 5. UTILITIES:**
 - 1. Update Watermain leak – Hwy 14.** Prairie Plumbing came in to fix a watermain leak on Hwy 14. DOT blacktopped over the main several years ago when they widened the road out, the main resides in the DOT right-of-away. Had DOT and Iowa County come out and access the problem – they filled out the required forms and gave the Village approval for the fix. The village had to replace all disturbed ground with gravel to avoid settling. Have a temporary blacktop patch and will have to have it blacktopped when Sharon Street is completed to get it back up to code. Was hoping this solved the water loss issue, but there is still a leak. Looking at available assistance to come in and survey the village to see where else the system is leaking water.
 - 2. Sewer main televising-** With the construction of the sewer main, found that Washington and Main St sewer main was installed incorrectly. It is too low, when camera went through in 2019 it went under water. JI Construction had to order a special manhole to get it to hook up. Advising to televise this area to ensure the problem has been solved or if there are more issues between the manholes due to the grade. The other two areas that need to be televised are Adeline and Lynn Street. The east of the village is all newer and made of PVC, so televising is not a big issue. Motion made by Shea to recommend getting bids for televising between manholes, Adeline and Lynn Streets. Seconded by Brittany. Motion carried.
- 6. PARK:**
 - 1. Update on ball fence-** ARPA funds to pay for new fencing around the big ball diamond. Funds are still in the budget, wondering if can get bids to use the funds for the smaller diamond and get both done at the same time. Motion made by Shea to get bids to determine how much it will cost to upgrade the small diamond fence. Seconded by Brittany. Motion carried.
- 7. PUBLIC WORKS/STREETS:**
 - 1. WisDOT Hwy 14 project, Overhead clearance concern of streetlight** – DOT sent an email indicating the streetlight on Hwy 14 in front of Grandma Mary’s is too low, unable to be lifted up due to wires and will be removed at Village’s cost due to no permit can be found. Indicated may move the streetlight to Reimann and Hwy 14. Meili indicated that without some kind of light it will be dark on top of the hill and may cause a safety issue, recommending moving the streetlight one pole over to the west. Brittany questioned the cost – unknown, Alliant must remove because they own the streetlights, village rents them from them. Cheaper if remove and replace at same time vs. two separate trips. Village is not given a choice; DOT is having the light removed. Motion made by Shea to recommend to the board to have Alliant move the streetlight to Reimann and Hwy 14. Seconded by Carney. Motion carried.
- 8. Motion made by Carney to Adjourn.** Seconded by Shea. Motion carried at 5:20 p.m.