

Minutes of Special Assessment Hearing

Proceedings of the Village of Spring Green Special Assessment Hearing, January 29, 2020, 7:00 p.m. located at Village Office, 154 N. Lexington Street, Spring Green, Wisconsin.

- 1. Call to order and attendance:** Joel Marcus called the hearing to order at 7:02 p.m. Members present were Joel Marcus, Robin Reid, Jane Hauser, LuEtta Miller, and Michael Broh. Eugene Hausner and Norm Miller were absent. Also present were Wendy Crary, Carol A. Burke, Randy Burke, E. Chloe Gaalswyk, John Meyerhofer, Michael Huftile, Ray Ring, Todd Deibert, Greg Jewell, Elizabeth Radel, Marlyn Radel, Calvin Butteris, Aaron Holverson, Dede Holverson, Mark Scoles, Mike Hogan, Josh Tafs, John Finn, and Paul Greisen. Stanley Feiner arrived at 7:06 p.m. and Stacy Amble arrived at 7:30 p.m.
- 2. Discussion on Assessments for the 2020 Street and Utility Reconstruction Project.** Todd Deibert gave an overview of the 2020 Assessments. John Finn asked about being charged for asphalt surface driveway but realized he was mistaken and was not being charged. Various questions were asked regarding the costs and how payments are made to the Village. Crary explained that the property owners will be given 5 years to pay the assessments and that the first year there is no interest applied. John Meyerhofer asked about charges for sewer replacement. Todd Deibert replied, "The Village doesn't assess for sewer or water main upgrades". Mike Hogan asked, "What's the difference between 4inch vs. 6 inch sidewalk. Deibert explained that the sidewalks are 6 inches at the driveways to accommodate vehicles driving over it. Elizabeth Radel informed the Engineers that her property line runs under her front steps. Deibert told her they could look at the map of her property and discuss the situation after the hearing. Ray Ring asked, "Is the Village putting sidewalk on both sides for all of the projects?" Deibert replied, "No, sidewalk is only being replaced not added with the exception of Albany Street". "Albany Street will have sidewalk added because the current sidewalk ends mid-block, the board decided to extend it the rest of the way". Aaron Holverson asked about eliminating a driveway. Greg Jewell said, "It would be best to document that now for the plans". Paul Greisen asked about the trees by his property. Deibert reviewed the tree plan with Greisen. Holverson asked, "Will lowering the street assist with the drainage?" Holverson explained that two properties on Lexington have major drainage issues in the front and backyard to the point that homes are not accessible at times and property appears to be sinking. Deibert replied, "By putting curb, gutter, and storm sewer in, it should help with the water in front of the property". Mike Hogan explained that he is concerned about his house which has settled significantly and is worried about a sink hole under his property. The Engineer's Office will schedule a

meeting with the property owners to review and discuss the situation. Paul Greisen asked about access to and from his house during the project. Deibert explained how the Engineer's Office and the Contractors will communicate these matters to the property owners. John Meyerhofer inquired about the bidding process for the projects. Deibert explained how the process works and that bids will be opened on February 12th. Tree removal and replacement for the projects was discussed. Stacy Amble informed Deibert that there is a portion of sidewalk by her property that is always icy during the winter that she would like repaired. Amble said, "I know I arrived late and probably missed a lot, but what is the process for payment of my assessment?" Crary informed Amble she would speak with her after the hearing unless anyone else wanted her to review the process a second time. No action was taken regarding the discussion on Assessments for the 2020 Street and Utility Reconstruction Project.

3. **General Public Comment:** There was no general public comment.
4. **Adjourn:** Broh moved and Reid seconded to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Motion carried.