

Public Works Special Meeting Minutes

The Public Works Committee met on February 12th, 2008 at 5:00 PM at City Hall.

Present: Wayne Schmidt, Harold Nell, Ken Taylor, Kelly Koss, Lynn Lawrenz, Paula Wiese

Also Present: Gary Paape, Tom Romdenne, Carrie Webb with the DNR and Albertson's.

Moved by Nell, second by Lawrenz to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.

New Business:

Discussion about the Shepick's Creek area on Lawndale between Steele and Navarino.

Schmidt outlined the concerns about erosion, property damage, steep embankments, personal safety, possible tree damage, and keeping the creek clear from debris. Carrie Webb explained the DNR's reluctance to permit anything that would be a complete enclosure in this area. The DNR classifies this body of water as a navigable stream. They are very reluctant to permit anything that would affect the area downstream from this area and indicated that the national trend is to remove the enclosed culverts like the ones that were placed on Fremont and Steele. The Albertson's were present representing the property owners in this area. They expressed their concerns, explained what they had tried so far to slow the erosion and asked what kind of solution was available to property owners. Webb suggested doing further research and coming up with a plan that does not include a complete enclosure before requesting a permit from the DNR.

Next meeting date February 26th, 2008 at 5:00 at Street Department.

Moved by Nell, second by Lawrenz to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:55 PM