

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, March 1, 2023
9:00 A.M.**

Present: Chairperson Tim McKinley, Mayor Paul Meier, Genie Wambaugh, Ed Wise, Mark Lehman

Staff Present: City Administrator Alex Mattingly, City Engineer Mike Yeager, and Public Works Director John Scheben, Prime AE Co-op Student Anna Evans

Absent: Michael Simms and James Knadler

Chairperson Tim McKinley called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. and led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first item considered was approval of the February 1, 2023 meeting minutes. Mark Lehman motioned to approve, and Ed Wise seconded, all voting in favor.

New and Continuing Business

A. Duke Energy Streetlight LED Conversion – Mayor Meier reported that there are 31 streetlights in question that are planned to be converted to LED lighting, including some on HOA-maintained areas. Several options were proposed by Mayor Meier on how to proceed with this project – his recommendation was to convert all Duke Energy-maintained lights in Crestview Hills at the City’s cost for public safety reasons and to ensure aesthetic consistency. After which, the applicable HOA would still be responsible for paying the electric costs for streetlights on private streets, which may include additional lights erroneously billed to the City by Duke Energy. Mr. Lehman made a motion for the Committee to adopt Mayor Meier’s recommendation, and Mr. Wise seconded, all voting in favor.

B. Horsebranch Rd. Landslide – City staff gave an update on a recently discovered landslide adjacent to Horsebranch Rd. Crestview Hills is working with the City of Edgewood to conduct a repair funded jointly by both cities.

C. Vernon Drive Update – Sanitation District No. 1 approved funding at its Board’s February meeting for \$161,000 in partial funding for storm water improvements on Vernon Drive. These would be incorporated into the larger Vernon Drive reconstruction project. The target is to bid the project in March. Mike Yeager will provide draft plans for review by City staff.

D. Shinkle Rd. Repaving – No update.

E. Dixie Hwy. Sidewalk Improvements (Whitehouse Drive to North City Boundary with Lakeside Park) – No update.

F. Thomas More Parkway Crosswalk – Adleta Construction has installed some thermoplastic roadway paint, but has not yet installed the flashing crosswalk signs and reflectors. The committee discussed whether a corresponding bus stop should be requested across from the existing one at this location.

G. Thomas More Parkway Streetlight LED Conversion – The contractor has said this work will be completed by April or earlier.

H. Thomas More Parkway Curb Repairs – Mike Yeager discussed submitting a grant application to OKI to fund the comprehensive fix of the portion of Thomas More Parkway from Legends Way to near Five Seasons. Mr. Yeager said he would submit a grant application to OKI on or before their June deadline.

I. Turkeyfoot Road Improvement Project – Mayor Meier recapped the City’s meeting with Mike Bezold from KYTC District 6 that took place on Feb. 24, and the options for the Thomas More Parkway extension. It was decided that “Option 2” was the best plan to avoid several issues resulting from the other options – Option 2 involves KYTC installing a retaining wall between the road extension and the College Park neighborhood and constructing sidewalks on the College Park-side of the roadway extension only. The refusal of KYTC to install a traffic light at College Park Drive and Turkeyfoot Rd. as part of the project was discussed at length, as well as the “loon” that would be installed in place of the traffic light.

Staff Report – Alex Mattingly mentioned that the Drees Company had approached Crestview Hills about donating a strip of land along Shinkle Road to the City. And he also discussed more frequent Facebook posts on the official City of Crestview Hills page with roadwork information, which can be shared by individuals or neighborhood groups on their respective page. Mayor Meier discussed the City’s plan to approach Hemmer Companies about ownership of the streetlights in the right-of-way of Centre View Blvd. – it would be advantageous and less confusing for the City to maintain these lights, rather than a private company, as part of the City’s larger project to convert all streetlights to LED lighting.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, April 5, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Wise, seconded by Mr. Knadler, all voting in favor to adjourn. Committee adjourned at 10:30 a.m.