

**City of Decorah Street Committee Meeting
Monday, June 4, 2018 – 5:00pm**

The City of Decorah Street Committee met on Monday, June 4, 2018 at 5:00pm. Chair Ross Hadley called the meeting to order.

Dan Bellrichard, and Randy Schissel were present.
Absent: Kirk Johnson

Others in attendance: Mayor Lorraine Borowski, Andy Carlson, Steve Luse, Johanna Bergan, Street Superintendent Kevin Nelson and City Manager Chad Bird.

Agenda

Discussion / update regarding 2018 street improvement plan

Bird and Hadley noted they were still waiting on the final assessments to review for the street project. Nelson and Hadley commented they would like to see the street projects and budgets submitted during the annual budget process. All agreed and pledged to work towards that goal for next year.

Discussion on DOT offer of funding for Pole Line Road Bridge replacement

Bird reviewed the DOT funding offer for this bridge with the committee. Bird noted, the Iowa Department of Transportation has extended an offer of funding for the Pole Line Road Bridge project. The offer is for up to 80% of project costs capped at \$1,000,000. The council may not include engineering costs in the federal or state funds but may use those expenses as part of the City match.

Bird stated he recommends the council accept the offer of funding. In so doing, the IaDOT will prepare a funding agreement for the council to consider at a later date. The City must sign a project agreement within 90 days, as prepared by the IaDOT.

Bird concluded by stating the City must then develop the project within three years of signing the agreement. He concluded the bridge has been on the list for many years and staff recommends the council accept this offer as improvement of this bridge would open Pole Line Road up for larger vehicles and could lead to designations for trucks etc.

The committee agreed to accept the offer and place this item on a future council meeting for approval.

Discussion on Locust Road Improvement Project

There was general discussion about the street improvement project. Some agreed that the entire project should be completed in one construction season, while others thought a segmented approach would be best. There was also no consensus on sidewalks, however all agreed on making necessary improvements to the storm water infrastructure.

After additional discussion, this writer noted that a phase-one may be College Drive to Shady Lane; phase-two may be storm water improvements in the corridor; and phase-three would be paving the College Drive to Shady Lane section.

The committee also directed Bird to bring in two outside engineering firms for a presentation on their approach to the Locust Road Project. In consensus, the committee suggested MSA Professional Engineers and McClure Engineering Company. The committee wanted a July 16, 2018 presentation.

There was no other business and the meeting adjourned at 5:30pm.
Respectfully submitted,

