

City of Tybee

Infrastructure Committee

Draft Notes from 9/26/19 Meeting

In attendance: Barry Brown, Monty Parks, Shawn Gillen, George Shaw, Peter Gulbranson, Kevin Smith, Jared Smith, Stanley Bearden, Shari Haynes, Kevin Smith, Jared Smith, Alice Jonsson

Barry Brown called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Monty Parks made a motion to approve the minutes from Aug. 08, 2019. Barry Brown seconded. Motion approved.

Update on Waterlines East of Butler: Stanley Bearden gave an update on which streets are finished, in-process, and upcoming. Just finished Tybee Straits and needs to be repaved, get back over to 2<sup>nd</sup> Terrace, then lateral lines on Van Horn, then back to Butler. There are over forty streets to be done. We have six or seven done. Two won't need to be replaced because they passed pressure tests.

Backflow Preventers: Kevin Smith – met with Pete Gulbranson and Stanley Bearden last week. There are two or three immediate concerns on Highway 80. There will be some DOT collaboration and permitting. Phase two near Soloman. Went over myriad on-going and completed backflow and bladder projects.

Bright St. Drainage: Kevin Smith - Bids are in. Went over the bids. All of them are at or over budget. Shawn Gillen – recommendation: expenditure would be too large. We should fix ditch issue. For very little money we can fix the ditch by piping it in and covering it. It should fix the majority of the problems. Shift funds to fixing North Campbell, which we should start planning out. It will come from the same budget.

Monty Parks moved that they reject the bids for Bright St. and, using our own people, fix the ditch. Barry Seconded the motion. Motion passed so it will be brought before Council for approval.

Dunes Restoration Project Update: Shawn Gillen – met with USACE and went over all specs for projects. Bids are out. Should be back early Oct. Most likely will start pumping sand late November. Went over various stages of project, different bids, and different options. Went over locations where sand may be placed. The City pays for contractors to shape dunes using state money. Shawn Gillen explained that we will have a very large beach when the process is done.

LMIG Update: Peter Gulbranson – starting construction in three to four weeks – might add another three inches to Highway 80 where it floods.

Marsh Hen Trail Update: Peter Gulbranson - DPW did trimming on the trail itself per DNR request and cleaned out landscape debris. Group discussed myriad approaches to the trail that we could take. George Shaw – bids are out for Phase 2. Monty Parks, George Shaw, Shawn Gillen, Peter Gulbranson – don't want companies wasting their money doing bids when we may take a much more simple approach. Council needs to decide which approach to take.

Sewer Line Under 17<sup>th</sup> Update: Jared Smith – Six joints caused some issues. Said the predecessor laid the joints horizontally, so they needed to be fixed to function. They then discovered some water main issues. Peter Gulbranson spoke to the joint issues and the water main issues. Jared Smith – the manhole

will have to sit in the middle of the street. Group discussed the weakness of the water main and some strategies for protecting it short and long-term. Mr. Smith said shooting for two weeks to completion. Group discussed some clean-up issues.

Pressurized Water for Highway 80 Median: Peter Gulbranson – seem to be using more water than we thought so he is working hard to get to the bottom of the issue and have it fixed. Peter G. met with Thomas and Hutton about it and will be having more meetings with them about myriad median issues. Will update group at next meeting.

Selection of Streets for Next Round of LMIG: Shawn Gillen and group discussed potential next streets for paving. Streets need to be certified by the end of the calendar year. City will bring recs back to the group.

Review of CIP: Shawn Gillen – will be updating and bringing back to the group.

Monty Parks is anxious to see the drawings for the showers and plantings so that it will be completed by next tourist season. Shawn Gillen – they are completing the drawings.

Member of the public asked about volunteers for lead testing of water and asked about how much it costs to have our own crews weeding the median.

Monty Parks made a motion to adjourn. Barry Brown seconded. Motion passed and meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM.