



November 2021

From the Village President:

It's been very busy for the Village Board and Committees. The Village Board had been working on the 2022 budget this fall and adopted the 2022 budgets at its meeting on November 16th. The Village Board continues to work on the Strategic Plan reviewing its status at the second Village Board meeting of each month. The Village Board has also approved funding for the new Village Department of Public Works (DPW) Building and awarded the contract for construction of the new facility to Selzer-Ornst after seeking and reviewing bids. The current DPW facility was constructed in 1973 with 8,530 sq. ft. and will be replaced with a 36,529 sq. ft. building which will allow for vehicles and equipment to be parked indoors in a safe manner as well as meeting current HVAC, electrical, and lighting standards. The new building will be constructed on the site of the current facility at 1000 Hickory Street.

The Planning Commission reviewed and approved a new building on Capitol Drive between the Summit Credit Union and Chick-fil-A. Fletcher Arms will be taking over the former WCTC Shooting Range at 1228 Hickory Street to operate an indoor range and firearms store and approved two new businesses in our industrial park on Hickory. The Plan Commission will also likely be finishing its role with the Village's Land Use Plan update after a public hearing on the draft plan at its January 13, 2022 meeting.

Canadian Pacific Railroad is still working on the crossing/gate changes related to the sealed corridor project. A timeline for the overall completion of the sealed corridor project is not currently known. As a reminder, the Village is not in charge of this project as it is funded under a grant to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation from the Federal Railroad Administration.

"I have found that people will forget what you said and they will forget what you did but they will never forget how you made them feel. "

~Maya Angelou

Jeffrey Knutson
Village President