

**VILLAGE OF PEWAUKEE  
PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES  
MARCH 4, 2025**

**1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Moment of Silence, and Roll Call**

Member Grabowski called the meeting to order at approximately 4:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a moment of silence.

Roll Call was taken with the following Committee members present: Member Ed Hill, Member Mark Grabowski, Member Laurin Miller, Member Nick Wellenstein, Member Chris Krasovich, and Member Jim Grabowski.  
Members Absent: Patrick Wunsch

Also Present: Village Administrator, Matt Heiser; Village Public Works Director, Dave Buechl, and Village Clerk, Jenna Peter.

**2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

**a. October 1, 2024**

**Member Krasovich moved, seconded by Member Hill to approve the October 1, 2024, minutes of the Public Works and Safety Committee meeting as presented.**

**Motion carried 6-0.**

**3. Citizen Comments**

**Barb Volden @341 Oakton Ave** – Ms. Volden Stated she received a letter that her sidewalk needed to be fixed because someone tripped and fell. The letter stated that it was her responsibility to take care of the sidewalk. Ms. Volden said she had a health inspector inspect the sidewalk when she purchased the house and the inspector indicated there was no issue with the sidewalk. If the sidewalk is truly hers, then she is going to put in grass and not have a sidewalk.

**Art Compton @ 136 Main St** – Mr. Compton stated he lives by the alley that is on the agenda. He explained the alley has been plowed by the Village since 1970 and all of a sudden the Village stopped plowing it. It is a busy alley that is used by a lot of traffic. He would like to know who the alley belongs to so it can be taken care of again.

**4. Old Business**

**a. Discussion and possible action to resolve storm sewer obstruction at 219 Park Avenue**

Director Buechl explained that a resident had contacted the office and said storm water was coming out of his storm sewer. Buechl stated there is a driveway and a boat ramp over the top of the pipe. Public Works jetted the pipe from 2 directions on two different occasions and debris came out both times. He is still unsure if the pipe is collapsed. The next step to take would be to cap the pipe at the lake and televise the line.

Grabowski wants to check into if it's an illegal driveway and if there is an easement recorded.

**No action taken.**

## 5. **New Business**

### a. **Discussion and possible action regarding request for additional traffic signage including a 4-way stop condition at intersection of Prospect Avenue and Lake Street, and at intersection of Prospect Avenue and School Street; additional pedestrian crossing signage, and temporary signage from resident Cheryl Mantz**

Administrator Heiser explained a resident had concerns about the traffic flows at a few intersections in the Village. The resident has gotten support from her neighbors who also want to install the traffic signs. Director Buechl stated he called the resident, Cheryl Mantz and left her a voicemail because she had requested to be contacted when the signs were being discussed. Ms. Mantz requested stop signs be installed at the intersections of Prospect and Lake St. and Prospect and School St. Buechl further explained that there was a traffic study done in that area in 2021 and signs were repositioned and installed at that time. The stops signs at the time of the study were not proposed to be installed. An additional 16 school-related signs were approved at the March 2024 Public Works & Safety meeting and paid for by the Village. A speed study was also conducted in December of 2023, and the results did not indicate that speeding was a problem in that area.

Trustee Krasovich would rather encourage the presence of police in that area rather than installing more signs.

J. Grabowski stated he would like to see the crosswalks be more visible.

**M. Grabowski moved to make a recommendation to follow the recommendation from Director, Dave Buechl to not install any additional signage, and increase awareness of the crosswalk. E. Hill offered an addendum “and direct the police to increase their presence” seconded by C. Krasovich Motion carried 6-0.**

### b. **Discussion and possible action to review ownership and maintenance responsibilities for alley located west of Main Street, east of Lake Street, and south of Park Avenue**

Buechl stated resident, Dennis Anders spoke with him about the snow plowing extents of the Village DPW for the alley.

Heiser explained he also spoke with Mr. Anders about the alley way and stated Mr. Anders had documentation that the entire alley was in the public right of way and should be maintained by the Village. Heiser is working with Attorney Gralinski to determine who exactly owns that property.

**No action taken.**

### c. **Discussion regarding 2050 City of Brookfield Treatment Plan Expansion**

Buechl explained that the City of Brookfield is planning to expand their wastewater treatment facility. The Village will provide the City of Brookfield with different pieces of information that will include 2024, 2035, and 2050 service area populations, and a summary of current residential, commercial, and industrial wastewater contributions.

**No action taken.**

### d. **Discussion and possible action regarding 2025 Street Program delayed funding until 2026 from WDOT for concrete medians needed for Quiet Zone application.**

Buechl explained the Village would have two options in regard to this project. The first is the Village can install and fund the median work in 2025. The second is the Wisconsin DOT will tentatively install and possibly fund the median work in 2026. The estimated cost of the project is \$29,000. Buechl further explained that the Village Engineer believes the medians are not required to be installed for the Quiet Zone.

Grabowski stated the median still needs to be extended to replace the temporary medians that are there currently.

Krasovich wants Staff to reach out to the DOT and explain what the Village has been doing to get

everything needed for the Quiet Zones and what can the DOT do to help the Village resolve the issue.

**M. Grabowski moved, seconded by L. Miller to make a recommendation to the Village Board to include the median in the bid as an alternate option.**

**Motion carried 6-0.**

**e. Discussion and possible action regarding sidewalk replacement letter sent to resident at 341 Oakton Avenue**

The Committee directed Staff to follow the Village Ordinance 78.109 and notify the resident.

**No action taken.**

**f. Discussion and possible action regarding 2025 Lake Weed Removal and Operations plan – presented out of order after 5i.**

Supervisor Bickler explained there are several construction projects going to take place this summer that will affect the traffic routes through the Village, including the Village's dump trucks for lake week pick up. DPW Staff have reviewed the end of Lake Street as a possible alternate location for temporarily parking boats and short-term mobilizing to pick up weeds if needed.

**No action taken.**

**g. Discussion and Possible Action to recommend to the Village Board to amend the current "NO PARKING" Zones on the west side of Main St. to "NO PARKING – TOW AWAY ZONE" at the request of the Village Police – presented out of order after 5e**

**E. Hill motioned, seconded by C. Krasovich to recommend to the Village Board to amend the "No Parking Zone" signs to include "Tow Away" Zones.**

**Motion carried 6-0.**

**h. Discussion and Possible Action to recommend to the Village Board to amend the "1-Hour Parking" in the downtown B-2 District to "1-Hour parking until 6 p.m."**

Buechl stated that this item was at the direction of the Police Chief. The Chief feels that the 1-hour parking was not enough time if people are going into restaurants and sitting down to eat.

M. Grabowski stated Staff could speak to the businesses owners and if they want the signs they can come up with the costs.

**E. Hill motioned, seconded by C. Krasovich to deny the recommendation**

**Motion carried 6-0.**

**i. Discussion and Staff Direction to explore safety bollards along the west side of Main Street from beachfront to Lakefront Park**

J. Grabowski explained that after the tragedy in New Orleans on New Year's Eve, public safety downtown is a concern during events. An idea being explored is installing safety bollards along the curb line of the sidewalk on the lake-side of W Wisconsin Ave. A potential feature would be to connect them with chains to funnel pedestrians to the designated crosswalks.

Bickler is concerned with the plow trucks potentially hitting the bollards. They would need to be a couple of feet in from the curb. Bickler suggested something more temporary that can be put away during the winter.

**No action taken.**

**6. Adjournment**

**Member Krasovich moved, seconded by Member Miller, to adjourn the March 4, 2025, Public Works & Safety Committee meeting at approximately 5:58 p.m.**

**Motion carried 6-0.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Jenna Peter  
Village Clerk