

**Hazen City Commission  
Special Meeting  
July 24, 2018  
Hazen City Hall**

**Present:** President Obenauer, Commissioner Pillar (by telephone), Commissioner Stern and Commissioner Wolf.

**Absent:** Commissioner Haack

**Others Present:** PW Director Brousseau, Auditor Erhardt, Luke Arnold (Moore Engineering), Pete Christianson (Mayo Construction).

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by President Obenauer.  
President Obenauer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**2018 Street Project:** Luke Arnold, Moore Engineering said the planing machine is onsite. Mr. Arnold explained the options relating to chip sealing of streets. Mr. Arnold said the commission can complete the chip seal in 2018 and 2019, as planned, or complete all the chip sealing this year at a cost savings of approximately \$23,000. Mr. Arnold said the cost savings must be weighed against the possibility of reflective cracking that may appear in the asphalt by next year. President Obenauer reminded the commission that at a previous meeting Commissioner Stern made a point about waiting to chip seal the new pavement and, while it would be nice to save the small amount of money, there is logic to waiting to see what issues may develop. Commissioner Pillar asked about the contract for work and was informed the contract is based on completing a portion of the chip seal in 2018 and the remaining chip seal in 2019. Commissioner Stern said that at previous times the engineers have recommended waiting two, to three, years before chip sealing. Commissioner Pillar said it would not degrade the road to wait a year and see if anything shows up within that time. Commissioner Wolf stated she agreed with waiting and this has been discussed in the past. Commissioner Wolf moved to proceed with the chip sealing, as contained in the contract excluding 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave NW, which was milled and paved this year, second by Commissioner Stern. On roll call vote; Wolf, "Aye", Stern, "Aye", Pillar, "Aye", Obenauer, "Aye", motion carried.

Mr. Arnold next explained options for repair or the asphalt shared use path north of Highway 200 between 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave NW and 4<sup>th</sup> Ave NE. The original plan was to remove the asphalt and replace it at the same elevation. Based on underground conditions experienced on the streets there are concerns that the base may not stand up to the equipment and will require additional work and costs. There is an option to overlay the path, as is, which will make it stronger for the short time however, underlying cracking may appear sooner. Mr. Arnold said there is also an option to mill the asphalt, leave it in place, compact it, and then overlay the new asphalt over it. This process may minimize any issues with the path base but will require additional soil and seeding along the edge of the path. The cost saving to mill in place will be minimal, a few thousand dollars but, there is a higher cost risk in doing the path

as planned. So, the options before the commission are; to do the path as planned, mill in place or not do it, at this time, and seek other funding in the future. Commissioner Pillar moved to mill the path in place, compact and overlay with new material, second by Commissioner Wolf. On roll call vote; Pillar, "Aye", Wolf, "Aye", Stern, "Aye", Obenauer, "Aye", motion carried.

The final item discussed was repair of the concrete path along west Main Street. Mr. Arnold said the concrete panels in the driveways needs to be replaced and there are other four-inch (4") thick panels that need to be replaced but, panels that have longitudinal cracks can be repaired with "stitching", filling cracks and then planing the path to a smooth top. Commissioner Pillar agreed there is a good portion of the path that does not need to be repaired. President Obenauer would like to get estimated costs and decide at the regular commission meeting on August 6<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Arnold anticipates the cost to be lower for this process. Pete Christianson, Mayo Construction, said the contractor may need a decision on the process to be used within a week and the commission may hold another special meeting, if necessary. Commissioner Stern said there are portions of the concrete path, north of Highway 200, that should be considered for repair. Mr. Arnold said there is a portion of the concrete path, west of 4<sup>th</sup> Ave NE, that would be a good location to demonstrate the stitching process for the commission to evaluate. No further action taken.

President Obenauer will not be able to attend the construction meeting on July 26<sup>th</sup> and Commissioner Wolf can attend. President Obenauer asked if a crushing estimate has been received and Mr. Christianson will try to have an estimate by the construction meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:31 AM CT. The next regular meeting of the commission will be Monday, August 6, 2018 at 5:30 PM CT in the Commission Room of the Hazen City Hall.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jerry Obenauer, President

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Monte J. Erhardt, Auditor