

VILLAGE OF ELM GROVE

13600 Juneau Boulevard Elm Grove, WI 53122

Village Pathways - Ad Hoc Committee

Minutes of Thursday, November 11, 2021

1. **Roll Call**, Trustee Katy Cornell (chair), Emily Baseheart, Stacy Barry Coffey, Jamie Niederbaumer, John Schindler, Natalie Schneider, Martha Kendler, Sarah Winia Smith, and Theresa Lauer (arrived 6:30pm)
Absent: Kim Irwin, Trustee Pat Kressin,
2. **Review and discussion on Village pathways and possible recommendations regarding rankings and possible implementation strategy.**

Mr. De Angelis reviewed the new study by Ruekert and Mielke and discussed the new proposed Transportation Fund that is currently being put forward in the 2022 budget. There was considerable discussion regarding the funding mechanism, the timing and segregation of funds for pathways and process for which to establish a permanent funding source moving forward.

There was also discussion about priority rankings as per previous Village Board action and the possibility of construction with road reconstructions, and the current rankings. The Committee Members then reviewed the rankings as updated at the meeting by the members present. It was then noted the top two rankings, Gebhardt first and Highland from Gebhardt to North second clearly showed the priority of the committee with the remaining pathways being very close in rank.

The Committee then discussed the how to proceed with putting forward their rankings to the Board of Public Works and the Trustees. There was discussion on the Gebhardt Pathway recommendation being need to be done now and then moving forward to have another joint discussion with the Public Works Committee after the roads are rated and there is an opportunity to chart a path forward for the future scheduling of pathway constructions.

Ms. Coffey made the motion to recommend the construction of the Gebhardt pathway in 2022 for the following reasons:

1. Economy of timing the construction with the reconstruction of Gebhardt Road for the purpose of receiving better pricing.
2. This pathway has been discussed and previously reviewed for this construction timing by the Village Board on multiple occasions.
3. There has been monies set aside previously for the purpose of pathways and those monies are currently available to offset the costs.
4. This pathway through evaluation was deemed to be the most cost efficient of the pathways discussed.
5. This pathway will provide much needed connectivity for to the existing Pilgrim Park Pathway and Brookfield system.

6. This pathway would provide of road access to Pilgrim Park Middle School.

Ms. Smith seconded, motion passed unanimously. The Committee then discussed the upcoming joint meeting on Monday to discuss the Gebhardt pathway.

7. **Other Business.** None

8. **Adjournment.** Mr. Schindler moved to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Niederbaumer. Motion passed unanimously at 7:21pm.

Respectfully submitted,

David De Angelis

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