

MALABAR TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 29, 2019

7:00 PM

This meeting of the Malabar Town Council was held at Town Hall at 2725 Malabar Road.

A. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair, Mayor Patrick Reilly called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

B. ROLL CALL OF THOSE IN ATTENDANCE:

CHAIR:

MAYOR PATRICK T. REILLY

VICE CHAIR:

STEVE RIVET

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

GRANT BALL

BRIAN VAIL

DICK KORN

DANNY WHITE

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:

MATT STINNETT

TOWN CLERK/TREASURER:

DEBBY FRANKLIN

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

TOM MILIORE

C. WORKSHOP ACTION: Discuss Public Works Road Projects.

Mayor said this workshop was to continue PW projects – Discussion of Road projects and turned it over to TA Stinnett.

TA Stinnett had prepared a list of potential projects they have identified. He also had two pages of pictures showing some of the damaged roads and sidewalks that need attention.

TA said PW has started working on Matthews Lane. Appleby Lane was the one that had bad material put down years ago and continues to work its way to surface. PW will try and address that by pulling the old material out and replacing with clean material.

Waring Lane, south end. PW Director Tom Miliore said the proposed aprons will help when going from a paved road to a dirt road but need depth of more than 20 feet; ideal would be 75 feet. CM Vail said there was talk of paving petition for this area of Waring. Clerk Franklin has not received any requests for a petition. CM Rivet would like to see paving for Appleby to cure that problem. Discussion of paving petition process.

Mayor asked about aprons – asphalt for about 75 feet is the ideal. Before they went in only 20 feet. PW Tom said when they did a pipe replacement under Osage at Babcock Street, the State made them come out and sweep the rock and millings off Babcock Street regularly because there was no paved apron at Babcock Street and Osage Road was a dirt road with millings and vehicles kicked the material onto Babcock Street.

Part of the problem at intersection repairs is due to cutting the corner short. We could curb them. Except trucks could run over it and damage the curbing. At Waring and Atz it is the big dump truck vehicles tearing up the corners. CM White said if we paved a little more and then add curbing it would keep cars on roadway, but dump trucks and the like would ride up the curbing and cause damage.

LaCourt and Hall is another area that is bad. They need to bring it in 4-6 feet. Can they do numerous aprons at a time? Do we have an estimate yet? TA Stinnett said that is a priority for Council consideration. CM White said it is a great idea. CM Vail explained when you are transitioning from a dirt road onto paved road or the reverse, having 75 foot of pavement to either prepare for the turn onto or off of allows for complete vehicle alignment before hitting the dirt portion.

CM Ball said on west side of Marie Street south of Malabar Road, put some material to get the grades back up. The letter carrier is spinning out and digging ruts in front of the mailboxes. He sees it on Marie Street. Also, on Highway 1.

Mayor said on the aprons, how much prep work is required by PW? PW Dir Tom said there is not much prep work required. Mayor said the more aprons the contractor does, the better the price as there is a savings on the mobilization charge. If they can do them all with one or two trips.

Council then discussed the need to repair West Railroad Avenue at south end. TA explained the owner of Railroad Avenue Storage has opened another gate in the back of property to allow dump truck drivers to use Pine Street since condition of West Railroad Avenue is so bad.

They then went over other sites with damaged pavement:
Blanche Street from cutting corners;
Kelly Lane from swinging wide;
Benjamin Road – the edges are bad – build the shoulders up, use cold patch.

First Lane is off Riverview Drive in the Riverview Subdivision. There are several places that the oak trees are busting the roads up. What do they do? Destroy the trees or paint them and use them as a speed bump.

CM Vail explained the growth inhibitor method FPL used on oak trees in front of his business. That may postpone it for a longer period. CM Ball said an arborist would have to make the decision. If an arborist says the root can be cut, maybe something can be done.

PW Director Tom said the one on Oak Tree Place they had an arborist came out. Taking the root out could weaken out - TA said the latest is the HOA agrees that that one should come out. There are several others in Brook Hollow. Oak Tree Place is the worst one.

Find out about growth inhibitor. CM Vail knows an Asplundh guy and will ask him about the growth inhibitor. TA said there is a variety of solutions we could go with.

Washout on Rocky Point Road is in permitting and then TA will finalize bids and get in front of Council.

At Fern Creek a headwall that has fallen in – was hit by a car and got knocked in. Another on Hall and Corey right where new pavement is. We changed the slope of how the water runs off that.

Mayor said just south of there is a new driveway – TA said it is a separate issue. CM White said he had asked Engineer Morris Smith about it. Morris explained that section, the east side of Corey runs southbound until it gets to the cross pipe and then runs northbound. Need to enforce our codes.

CM White asked about road material. He said last year the previous TA said they needed 17K in material costs to get Matthews back to where it was when first accepted.

TA agreed with the suggestion of doing the prep work but the money we are spending to bring it up to date. They have only spent about 15K in road material so far this year. CM Ball mentioned his request to budget the replacement costs in the annual budget, so the money will be there when the road needs capping.

CM Korn asked how many other roads have the kind of road base that CM Vail was required to build to on Smith Lane. CM Vail said Matthews Lane has a good base for paving and the material they put on it looks good. How many other similar roads do we need to repair.

CM Korn asked for list of roads not accepted. TA explained the future workshop to discuss these unaccepted roads.

Clerk Franklin explained the separate workshop for undersized roads was requested by Town Attorney. He explained he would need to review about ten years of case law on this subject and then he will be ready for this workshop to be scheduled.

Council looked at the catch basin and paving for the cul-d-sac that needs paving.

CM Vail said in perspective – repairing the edges of the road. Fine line between holding water and shedding water. You don't want it to hold water. He applauds PW Dir Tom for dealing with this. He asked Post Master to require the mailboxes to the edge of the pavement, so he doesn't have to go off road. Is there a standard? Yes, 22 inches from top of road to bottom of mailbox. Find out what the requirement are for mailboxes to edge of road.

Mayor asked if TA needed a priority on this. TA said if Council wants to then sure. Mayor said the aprons would be a priority.

TA said the dirt roads is what he wants to focus on. Last few months the focus was on getting the ditches done before the rain. Now can buy the road material. Then do the paving. Don't have enough money to do all the aprons this year. If there are priorities to do with this budget. Can't do them all this year. If there are six on them. CM White wants to focus on getting the road material. Look at the aprons during the budget workshops. CM Vail said to get estimates from contractors.

Mayor said regarding the dirt roads, prioritize the work based on the most people on a street. Mayor ask the distance of these roads. TA has that information. CM Vail said as far as priorities, they should do damage prevention before more expensive repair is needed. Edge of the road repairs. Fix now to save money later. CM Vail talked about the auger and chute to dispense again to fix edge of roads.

CM White said he got a call from Jeff Darby. What was the agenda for the workshop. It was only posted at 1:40PM.

CM White asked about drainage issue – culvert under Raulerson – when can it be attacked? TA is working on the May schedule and will address that.

CM White also asked about removing trees from ditches. There is a big pine tree and two palm trees. Would have to get FPL contractor to take out. Weber west side lots of trees. CM White also commented on what a resident recently told him about how positive he feels on how the Town is going in a positive way; he had nothing but good things to say.

CM Rivet wanted to continue the next step in the drainage projects. What can we do through the rest of the year. CM Korn talked about the poles on Atz – FPL will need 8 weeks and then Spectrum and ATT to move their data lines. CM Vail said the workshops are very productive as you can't get the back and forth at a council meeting that you can at a workshop. The workshops are important. Would like to have them every two months. CM Vail asked PW Dir Tom if there was anything else he wanted to improve his department. TA said another item that would be very helpful would be a 2nd dump truck.

D. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to discuss and without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 8PM.

BY: original signed
Mayor Patrick T. Reilly, Council Chair

Debby K. Franklin, C.M.C.
Town Clerk/Treasurer

Date Approved: 5/6/2019