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OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

September 30, 2008

7:00 p.m.

Village Green, 47 Hall Street

Attendance Don Grubbs, Tom Counts, Jim Hrivnak, Dan Wiencek, Jeff Robinson, Rob Rice, Chris Huber, Jeff Snyder and Steve Lutz.

I. SIDEWALK REPAIR PROGRAM CHANGES

The Committee continued their review and discussion regarding the proposed 2009 Sidewalk Repair Program. The Committee requested that the opt-out period be extended to 30 days. They also recommended elimination of the inspection/permit fees.

II. WINTER SALT SHORTAGE

Jeff Snyder informed the Committee that he had received a performance bond from the City's salt provider. He stated that the City will be calibrating the spinners down in order to utilize less salt. He informed the Committee that the City has three 175 ton bins in which to store salt. He has directed the Public Service Department to place orders on a frequent basis this year.

Jim Hrivnak inquired as to whether the City might consider just salting intersections if salt becomes difficult to obtain? Jeff Snyder responded that this would certainly be an appropriate solution to such a situation.

Dan Wiencek inquired as to how significant a risk would it be if the City were to eliminate salting? Jeff Snyder stated that he would not like to take the risk by not salting the streets.

Dan Wiencek inquired as to whether it would be possible to address snow removal on subdivisions streets before Liberty Street, Bennett Parkway and Sawmill Parkway. Jeff Snyder stated that it would be very risky to address subdivision streets before addressing the major arterial streets.

III. GOLF CARTS UTILIZING CITY STREETS

The Committee requested Staff investigate a few questions regarding utilizing electric vehicles on City streets. These questions included are electric vehicles street legal? At what speed can they travel on City streets? Can electric vehicles cross a 35 MPH road? Are communities utilizing electric vehicles? Can an informational piece be put together regarding electric vehicles?

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.