

**VILLAGE OF EPHRAIM
COMMUNITY PROTECTION COMMITTEE MINUTES
THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 2023 - 3:30 PM
9996 WATER STREET**



ACTION ITEMS:

Dukehart moved, Cox seconded to approve the minutes of July 11, 2023, as corrected, all ayes. Motion carried.

Dukehart moved, Cox seconded to forward the German Road and Anderson Lane survey cost estimates to the Village Board for their consideration and input to determine if the survey work is a worthwhile project to pursue, all ayes. Motion carried.

Cox moved, Dukehart seconded to adjourn at 4:05 PM, all ayes. Motion carried.

Present: John Cox, Tad Dukehart, and Carly Mulliken - Chair.

Absent: Keith Krist and Dan Shannon.

Staff: Justin MacDonald – Village of Ephraim Fire Chief.

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Mulliken at 3:30 PM. A quorum was present for this meeting.

2. **Changes to the agenda:** There were no changes.

3. **Approval of the previous minutes:**

Dukehart moved, Cox seconded to approve the minutes of July 11, 2023, as corrected, all ayes. Motion carried.

Cox asked for “Mary” Thorp to be replaced with “Nancy” Thorp and for the comment regarding “Norma Haeger” to be removed.

4. **Visitors’ Comments:** There were no comments.

5. **Discussion and consideration of survey work on German Road and Anderson Lane:**

Mulliken noted that it was brought to her attention yesterday that German Road may be a historic road. Bristol is going to look into it. Mulliken explained that she was not familiar with the term and called the WI DOT. The operator had not heard of the term either but suggested that it may be a rustic road. Mulliken researched to see if it was a rustic road; it was not. She discussed the unknowns concerning restrictions with a historic road.

A discussion was held regarding German Road. Dukehart noted that it was a Village Street. Cox added that he didn’t think it was younger or older than other Village streets. It used to meander up to the German settlement. Cox provided some historical background on the past widening of German Road.

Mulliken asked for comments on the survey proposals from Brian Frisque Surveys Inc. and Stantec. She noted that it was not clear from Frisque proposal if it was for Anderson Lane and German Road. MacDonald stated it should be for all of it. Dukehart asked if this was something to pass on to the Board for approval. Mulliken noted that Bristol suggested that the item be brought to the Physical Facilities & Utilities “PFU” Committee because they have a road budget. Cox discussed that the goal of this had been to make German Road safer but without knowing where the road bed lies solutions cannot be discussed. Mulliken explained that signage may be an option as a way to draw attention to pedestrians. Dukehart stated that people are speeding through the Village not paying attention; you need more than a yellow sign indicating pedestrians. Cox suggested a recommendation be made to the Village Board.

Dukehart moved, Cox seconded to forward the German Road and Anderson Lane survey cost estimates to the Village Board for their consideration and input to determine if the survey work is a worthwhile project to pursue, all ayes. Motion carried.

There was a brief discussion about the “S” curves on German Road and ditch mowing.

6. **Discussion on Firehouse Marina closure for Fyr Bal 2024:**

Mulliken stated that the Marinas and Moorings “M&M” committee met and were working directly with Ephraim Business Council “EBC” to figure out the closures.

7. **Discussion of general safety issues in the Village:**

Dukehart thanked MacDonald for moving the speed sign from Townline Road to Settlement Road. When he turns right or left out on STH 42 coming from the Post Office, there is some tall brush that needs to be weed-whacked; we would need the property owner’s permission. Cox stated that there is a vision triangle ordinance in effect in the Village that property owners are supposed to maintain visibility. Dukehart stated it is an easy fix with the property owner to request that they cut the high weeds at the corner so that there is better visibility. Mulliken and MacDonald concluded they would figure out how to make contact with the owner.

8. **New business for the next meeting:**

The next meeting of the Community Protection Committee will be held on September 7, 2023, at 3:30 PM.

New business:

- a) Parking Signage.
- b) Door County Highway Commissioner - CTH Q speed issues.
- c) Follow up on survey work estimates on German Road and Anderson Lane.

9. **Adjournment:**

Cox moved, Dukehart seconded to adjourn at 4:05 PM, all ayes. Motion carried.

Recorded by, Kim Roberts – Deputy Clerk