

**Board of Public Works and Safety
Berne City Building, 158 W Franklin Street
Wednesday, July 19, 2017
Minutes**

Mayor McKean-Present

Curtis Wurster-Present

Ron Dull- Present

The Board of Public Works and Safety met on Wednesday, July 19 2017 at 8:00 am in council chambers along with City Attorney Dave Baumgartner and Secretary of Record Becky Sprunger. An agenda was posted at the door.

Others in attendance: city employees John Crider, Terry Kongar, Branden Alberson, Police Chief Tim Taylor and Kurt Dailey. Guest: Michelle McIntyre and Briana Eicher representing Swiss Village.

Mayor McKean called the meeting to order and verified a quorum.

Approval of Minutes On a motion by Ron Dull and a second by Curtis Wurster, the minutes from June 21, 2017 were unanimously approved as written.

2018 Swiss Village 5KRace Michelle McIntire, Vice President of Marketing/Public Relations, and Briana Eicher, Wellness Pavilion Director, reviewed the route for the 2018 annual Swiss Village 5k Race. The date will be Saturday, April 14th. They have already received approval from the County for closing CR 500 S and are asking the city to close Emmental Drive and CR 150 to Clark Street before the 9:00 am start and until the last runner is past those streets. Michelle reported that the route has not changed from past races and the event continues to grow. On a motion by Ron Dull and a second by Curtis Wurster, the board unanimously approved closing Emmental Drive to CR 150 and Clark Street on April 14, 2018 as presented.

Review of Ordinance 83 Chief Taylor asked that the board give consideration to a sticker citizens of Berne can purchase for a nominal fee for their front door that would inform door to door salespeople that the resident does not wish to be bothered. Ordinance 83 pertains to peddlers, hawkers and itinerant merchants and would need to be amended to allow for the stickers. A certificate of registration would still need to be obtained from the Clerk-Treasurer if approved by Berne's Chief of Police. Those individuals that go door to door passing out religious tracts or those not selling goods are excluded from needing to register.

Ron asked if we knew of any other communities that have a program like this, and Chief said he did not. Ron said that this is good discussion, but should be discussed more in a council meeting.

WWTP Request to Purchase a Trailer Mounted Sewer Jetter Terry Kongar, Waste Water Treatment Plant Superintendent came before the board to request that he be allowed to get quotes

on the open market for a trailer mounted sewer jetter. Terry said that the most immediate need for this equipment is getting the outlet pipes in the WWTP ponds cleaned out. Because the SAGR system is working so well at keeping the ponds clean, there is more algae that is getting in to the pipes. The regular vactor truck is too big to take on the rim of the ponds. The trailer mounted jetter would also be useful in those catch basins that cannot be serviced by the truck, or that need to have a smaller vactor hose than is on the vactor truck. The trailer with the jetter can be pulled with the Gator tractor. Right now, Bluhm and Reber have to be called for those situations. Terry said that the entire unit would cost between \$12,000 and \$15,000 and he has talked to Gwen about the funding.

Dave advised the board that the Purchasing Policy allows the Board of Works to approve the purchase on the open market, or they could make a recommendation that the council approve the purchase.

On a motion by Ron Dull and a second by Curtis Wurster, the board unanimously approved having Terry get quotes on the open market for a trailer mounted sewer jetter as presented for council consideration at their July 24th council meeting.

Other Kurt Dailey reported that the Swiss Days parade route has changed and the streets on Washington and Monroe will be shut down as part of the event. Fulton street at the corner of the Peace Lutheran church will also be blocked ½ of the block to the south (behind the stage).

Mayor McKean reported that the dirt has been spread at the former Dunbar property and Tim Shoaf has been contacted to spread grass seed.

Mayor McKean reported that Mike Dubach has graded and is putting down the stone pad for limbs and branches at the compost site.

A question was asked about the new waste dumpster ordinance at the Jefferson Street garage. Mayor McKean said that he, Kurt and Becky will work on the sign that needs to be placed near the dumpsters. Mayor McKean also said that he does not want any more dumpsters on the south side of the garage lot.

With nothing further to discuss and on a motion by Ron Dull and a second by Curtis Wurster, the meeting was adjourned.