

**Public Works Committee Meeting**  
**February 24, 2026, Johnsburg Village Hall**  
*Approved*

**In attendance: Chairman Scott Letzter & Members Joe Gallina, Jim Pingitore, Bill Rudzena, Chuck Schaefer, and Wally Steffens. Also present from Staff was Public Works Foreman Walsh & Assistant Administrator Lamontagna**

**Called to Order: 6:34pm**

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| <b>Approval of Minute</b> | Committee Member Rudzena moved to approve January 27, 2025 public works committee minutes as written. Committee Member Pingitore seconded the motion. All Committee Members present voted aye, motion carried.   |
| <b>Public</b>             | <p>Suzy Giese, of 1816 River Terrace Dr, commented regarding the condition and historical maintenance practices of the 1800 block of River Terrace Dr. She stated that her late husband, along with fellow residents, previously repaved the road. She further advised that the Village is responsible for maintaining the roadway and expressed concern that Village snowplows are contributing to the deterioration of the already poor road condition. In summary, she stated that the Village needs to undertake more substantial roadway repairs rather than continuing temporary pothole patching efforts.</p> <p>Susan Shaw, of 1818 River Terrace Dr, commented regarding the condition of River Terrace Dr and expressed dissatisfaction that the Village has not repaved the roadway. She stated that she pays property taxes, including what she considers to be high taxes, and was never informed that the stretch of roadway was privately maintained. She further stated that she does not understand how the roadway could be considered private while remaining open for public access. Ms. Shaw also expressed concern that a neighboring property owner continues to contribute to roadway deterioration and questioned why the incorporated Village has not accepted the roadway for maintenance. When the Public Works Committee attempted to explain that the roadway is publicly accessible but privately maintained, she disagreed and reiterated that this information was never disclosed to her. She further noted that the original developer has passed away and there is no homeowners association overseeing the roadway.</p>   |
| <b>Old Business</b>       | <p>Public Works Foreman D. Walsh briefed the Committee on sewer plant winterization practices, as well as tree and roadway work performed prior to and throughout the winter season, including ongoing trimming and roadway patch work, when applicable. Mr. Walsh also provided a general recap of winter operations, noting approximately 25 snow-pushing events during the season. Additionally, Mr. Walsh advised that Public Works has been intermittently working on the NHV path along S.G. Rd to Grandview on Johnsburg Community School parcel(s) in support of the development of the NHV path within Johnsburg corporate limits. He further reported continued efforts regarding preventive and scheduled maintenance of squad vehicles, along with routine operation and maintenance of all current equipment, including a substantial work order for routine maintenance on the excavator.</p> <p>Discussion among the Committee continued regarding project scopes, materials utilized, required practices, and consultant oversight of awarded bidders performing public works projects. The Assistant Administrator also provided updates regarding the Johnsburg Rd resurfacing project from Fairview to Miller, noting that any remaining warranty items and punch-list work are anticipated to be addressed in Spring 2026 in coordination with the IDOT-awarded vendor. Additionally, the Assistant Administrator shared an overview of ongoing park and public infrastructure improvements, including project planning updates and anticipated timelines for substantial completion. Assistant Administrator Lamontagna provided some communication from residents regarding private roads and responses shared in the Village of Johnsburg jurisdiction. Shared Village record keeping regarding the approx. 5.5 miles of road in boundary limits that have not been accepted due to roadway requirements per subdivision ordinance. Assistant Administrator shared the proposed 2026 Road Resurfacing plan for Dutch Creek Estates (Ph1&amp;2 only) as Engineering will begin the bid proposal for letting.</p> |

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| <b>New Business</b>    |   |
| <b>Chairman Report</b> | Chairman Letzter updated committee the with recent Village Board action activities and discussed next meeting tentatively proposed schedule, noting no meeting in March 2026, and regroup in April. Staff to keep committee informed on scheduling if needed. |
| <b>Adjournment</b>     | Committee Member Gallina moved to adjourn. Committee Member Rudzena seconded the motion. All Committee Members present voted aye. Motion carried at 7:57p.  |