

Minutes of the Streets Committee Meeting

Tuesday, February 17, 2026 at 2:30pm

Attendees:

- Brian Hilbelink – Village of Oostburg, President
- Brian Schumacher – Village of Oostburg, Trustee
- Phil Mentink - Village of Oostburg, Trustee
- Greg Lemahieu – Village of Oostburg
- Joel Ternes – Village of Oostburg

Others in Attendance:

- Allen Wrubbel
- Chuck Craddock
- Bob Ostermann
- Fred Voskuil
- Carl Ten Haken
- Kevin Parrish
- Gary Gaedke
- Kim Loose

Correspondence:

1. A Petition to Repair South 11th Street, Zuider Land, and the West End of Huron Avenue was presented to the Oostburg Board of Trustees by Nancy Trimberger prior to the meeting and a copy is attached to these minutes

Meeting called to order by Pres. Brian Hilbelink at 2:30pm

Trustee Mentink made a motion to approve the agenda, Trustee Schumacher seconded the motion, motion passed.

Trustee Mentink presented a brief summary of preliminary plans for the reconstruction of the asphaltic pavement road surface on S 11th Street, Zuider Lane, and Huron Avenue. Trustee Mentink indicated that although the 2026 budget included funds for pavement removal and replacement, several residents located at various addresses along proposed reconstruction route expressed concerns over condition of the underground utilities and the potential need to make repairs to the underground facilities at a future date.

Greg Lemahieu reported on the condition of the underground sanitary sewer and water mains on S 11th Street and Zuider Lane, there are no underground facilities along Huron Avenue. The sanitary sewer and water mains appear in good condition per the utility department's records and visual inspections. The problems experienced in the recent past indicate the underlying cause are the individual sanitary sewer service laterals to the residences.

Several residences that were in attendance reported they experienced backups of the sanitary sewer in the recent past that required corrective measures including jetting to remove blockage in the sanitary sewer service lateral.

Possible alternative actions to rectify the existing conditions with the existing sanitary sewer service laterals and minimize the potential for future excavation within the street right-of-way were discussed. The discussions also included the impact, including postponement, to the planned street reconstruction schedule.

In lieu of the complete removal and replacement of the existing asphaltic roadway surface, potential alternative repairs to the existing street surface at the more severely deteriorated locations along the route were discussed. This would include selective removal and replacement of the existing asphaltic pavement at areas of significant potholes, cracks, and abrupt changes in vertical profile of the existing pavement. This would eliminate the more severe defects in the existing roadway surface until comprehensive repairs to the underground utilities and complete roadway reconstruction could be funded and completed by the Village.

It was decided to direct the preliminary planned reconstruction of S 11th Street, Zuider Lane, and Huron Avenue back to the Streets Committee for further consideration of complete removal and replacement of the existing asphaltic roadway surface or pursuing selective removal and repair of the deteriorated areas of the street surface. The Streets Committee is to bring forward the recommended action at a future Village Board Meeting.

Trustee Mentink motioned to adjourn the meeting and the motion was seconded by Trustee Schumacher. Motion passed and meeting was adjourned at 2:55 pm.

Submitted by: Phil Mentink, Chairman of Streets Committee