

Village satisfied with Fredonia Ave. paperwork

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Project expected to cost \$1.1 million, completion set for autumn of 2014

Work on the reconstruction of Fredonia Avenue won't begin until at least next year, but much of the preliminary paperwork is in place.

The Fredonia Village Board on July 25 approved a memorandum of understanding with Ozaukee County that dictates how the project will proceed.

The county is involved in the project because Fredonia is also Highway A.

Although the memorandum got preliminary approval from the county's Public Works Committee, county officials have yet to take final action.

Village trustees also approved an engineering contract with Ayers & Associates for the project design work. According to the board vote, the cost of that contract is not to exceed \$78,000.

Included in the services provided by Ayers are two public information meetings, outlining the work to be done and anticipated timetable.

The memorandum spells out the distance the road reconstruction will encompass from Highway 57 to Edmaro Street — 4,600 feet.

Under the proposed agreement, the village will serve as the lead agency but the county has the authority to review the final plans and specifications.

County officials reportedly are also interested in being designated the lead agency. If that change is made, the document will have to return to the Village Board.

According to the preliminary memo, the cost of the project — including engineering and construction — is expected to be \$1.1 million. Of that amount, \$583,000 will be covered by the county and \$513,000 by the village.

The total width of the rebuilt Fredonia Avenue will be 38 feet from curb to curb, with the memo explaining that the county paying 73% of the paving width — 24 feet — and the village 27%.

Curb and gutter work will extend 30 inches along each side of the roadway.

The cost of installing new curb, gutter and storm sewer will be split equally between the village and county.

However, all sidewalk-related costs will be the responsibility of the village.

Utility expenses will also be the responsibility of the village, although special assessments will be made to property owners if sewer laterals need to be replaced.

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The village will pay for any water main work or utility line relocation, although officials are negotiating with affected utility companies on the cost of moving those lines.

Final design details will be reviewed by the village and the county Public Works Committee, with the county having the final say in the event issues arise where a consensus cannot be reached between the two bodies.

With the memorandum in place, officials expect the design work will be complete by Nov. 1. Construction is intended for next year, with completion tentatively set for November of 2014.