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No response on financial support at store.

The Brady village board agreed to fix damaged storm drains on either side of the driveway into the Get-N-Go parking lot when warmer weather allows for pouring cement.

Utilities superintendent Keith Wagnitz told trustees water has apparently washed between the asphalt of the street and the drain box causing the curb to settle.

He said the boxes need resealed with the surrounding pavement and the curb must be replaced on both sides.

Get-N-Go owner Jack Mann asked if the village's engineer firm, Miller & Associates of Kearney, will look at the project to make sure the same issue won't happen again.

He also asked that the sidewalk be replaced.

"We're not responsible for the sidewalk," said vice chairman Troy Viter. "We're responsible for the curb."

Mann agreed that paying to replace the sidewalk is his responsibility as property owner but contended the village's damaged storm drain was the cause for the crumbling sidewalk.

Viter said if an engineer's opinion is necessary, the village will make the contact.

Trustees did not respond, however, to comments and questions from Mann about why the village has not done business with the store.

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“I can’t thank the people of this community enough for their support but I am disappointed that the village has not supported us financially,” Mann said. “We’ve been open almost two months and we have not sold one gallon of fuel to the village.”

Mann was previously told the village purchased fuel at the Brady One-Stop at the Interstate 80 interchange because that business was willing to waive the 24-cent fuel tax.

“The village can file a claim with the state to get that fuel tax reimbursed,” Mann said. “I don’t think it’s my duty to do that.”

In other business, trustees agreed to pay each of the two full-time village employees \$300 as a Christmas bonus as well as \$50 for the part-time custodian.