

The meeting was called to order by Voss at 6:30 p.m. with the following Roll Call:

Members Present: Voss, Moede
Members Absent: Nitschke
Others Present: Ald. Hoy, Ald. Smith, Ald. Pasbrig, Kathie Wild, Shelley Eilbes, Ron Wellner, Vern Hilker, Sally Kahlhamer, Brian Paynter, Sue Smith, Bill Linzenmeyer, Brian Wendorff, Chris MacNeill

Item #2 – Approve Minutes of July 22, 2008 meeting.

Motion by Moede, second by Voss to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Item #3 – Citizens Comments.

None.

Item #4 – Monthly Utilities Report.

A. Sewer Jetting Progress Report.

Ron Wellner reported that sewer jetting has been complete with the exception of the line coming from the outdoor pool on Park Street. This will be done when the pool closes.

B. Water System Leak Survey.

Davies was hired to do a system wide leak survey. We are currently losing around 20%-30% of our water. Ron will report back next month of the findings.

C. Tim Bachhuber Retirement.

Ron reported that Tim Bachhuber will be retiring next week Friday August 28th. He has been with the city 31 years. The city will be rewarding him with a plaque.

D. Date & Time for Next Meeting.

Tuesday, September 2nd at 7:00 p.m. at the Water/Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Item #5 – Monthly DPW Report.

A. Update on FEMA Public Assistance for Flooding and Severe Weather 2008.

Vern reported that a FEMA representative will be here on Thursday morning to meet with Shelly and him. This is when they will find out what FEMA is going to cover from the flooding. The department heads will be contacted after the meeting to let them know of the outcome.

B. 2008 Resurfacing Budget Discussion.

Vern reported that he sent out a budget memo to the council on July 18th in which he stated that he was not going to be bidding any resurfacing projects. Since then he has received notification from Dodge County that they didn't receive any salt bids therefore we are going to have to rebid with someone else. It is very likely that our salt price will go up. Therefore Vern feels strongly at this time due to budget constraints to not bid any resurfacing projects. He reported on some patch areas that need to get done. General Asphalt will be coming in to do the patch work. The cost for the patch work is estimated around \$10,900.

C. Discuss/Recommend Snow Removal by Property Owners Ordinance.

Vern explained that item was tabled at the January Public Works meeting. Kathie had put in everyone's packets the minutes of the prior meetings where this was

discussed and the Mayville and Madison snow removal ordinances. Vern explained that the city currently charges \$75.00 per hour if the city has to come out and shovel someone's sidewalk. We do have a few habitual people every year. Ald. Pasbrig expressed that he thinks Madison's ordinance makes more sense. He would like to know how many of the offenders are rental properties compared to residential properties. Ald. Pasbrig expressed that something needs to be done that has more bite and gives a timeframe. Ald. Voss expressed that he feels this would hurt the elderly people that live in the older homes that have sidewalk in front of their property. He feels it should be revisited as to why not all streets have sidewalk. Ald. Hoy asked if we could send notices right now to the habitual people and if we could subcontract the shoveling out to someone else so the city crew wouldn't have to spend their time doing it. Vern expressed that the subcontractors are all busy when there is a lot of snow and probably wouldn't get to it either in a timely manner. Also the problem of billing the taxpayer would then be an issue. Vern will draft an ordinance that will fit our situation for next month's meeting.

Item #6 - Adjournment.

Motion by Moede, second by Voss to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Kathie Wild, City Clerk