

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

MARCH 19, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Ald. Redeker at 6:00 p.m. with the following Roll Call:

Members Present: Ald. Redeker, Ald. Sertich, Ald. Toellner

Members Absent:

Others Present: Mayor Moede, Ald. Pasbrig, Ald. Schaefer, Ald. Schmidt, Deanna Boldrey, Kathie Wild, Don Neitzel, Ron Wellner, Mike Kurutz, Ben Brown, Katie Leb

Item #2 – Approve Minutes of February 20, 2012.

Motion by Ald. Sertich, second by Ald. Toellner to approve the minutes of the February 20, 2012, meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Item #3 – Citizens Comments.

None.

Item #4 – Monthly Utilities Report.

A. Water.

a. Well Number 3.

Ron Wellner reported that there was a quarterly radium notice in the paper again. The last radium measurement was within normal limits. The DNR suggested that they apply for a 30 day extension and Ron has have not heard back.

b. Wells 2 & 4 VFD Installation.

The Variable Drives in wells 2 & 4 were installed last week at the cost of \$16,000. Previously had installed in wells 3 & 5, and it has saved about \$10,000 per year. Ron applied for a \$5,000 rebate through focus on energy so it should cost \$11,000.

c. South Street Water Main Replacement.

The Water Wastewater Commission instructed for a valve to be installed at the south of the MEC service line. All breaks incurred between there and north of the intersection. The road has been patched. Ron is researching the item, including looking at a new product that would line the water main without digging everything up. Another community is trying the product.

B. Wastewater.

a. Barwig Lift Station – Construction Progress Report.

Ron Wellner spoke with the foreman of the project this afternoon, making the last connection to Barwig/Lincoln Lane manhole for the gravity sewer main. Expect to have done later today. They did break a gas main yesterday afternoon but it is repaired. Expect the project to be completed in about a month. This lift station needed to be replaced.

b. Bar Screen Repairs.

The bar screen was installed in the year 2000, recently major repairs were done that cost about \$20,000. It is working just fine. Ron explained that the Bar Screen is used to collect the larger items.

The next Utilities Commission Meeting is April 10, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. The following meeting will be May 8, 2012.

Item #5 – Monthly Engineering & Planning Report.

A. 2012 Street Resurfacing Program.

Don distributed and reviewed a report on the resurfacing with a map. Don noted that this is based on a paser report. The list includes Ruedebusch Ave. (Degner to Walnut), Lincoln Lane (North German to Barwig), Breckenridge and Buchanan railroad tracks, Taylor St. (N. Main to Short), Breckenridge Street (North Main to Short), Ewald Street (Lina to Horicon), Mayer Lane (Lina to Horicon Street), Mayer Lane (South Clark to end), North German (Bridge to Easy), Circle Drive (Mayer to End), and Washington Street (North German to end). Walnut Street tracks are scheduled for removal with next year's budget. The asphalt paving will go out to bid by the end of the month. Would like to come back in April with the bid information.

- B. 2012 Dam Inspection of Lower Dam.
Don received notification from DNR that the City is required to have the lower dam inspected to make sure it is in compliance.
- C. South End of Mayer Lane.
Don referenced the map he handed out. He talked to the plant manager at Seneca. Mayer Lane comes out at Seneca's driveway. The plant manager expressed safety concerns of traffic and residents on their drive. There is 200 ft without curb and gutter. It was noted to put on the Public Safety Agenda.

Item #6 – Monthly DPW Report.

- A. Update on Snow Removal Operations Year – To-Date.
Mike noted that he has been tracking the salting and plowing. In December there were six salting events. In January they salted once, and plowed and salted ten times. In February they salted two times, and plowed and salted three times. In March there were two plow and salt events. Totaling nine salt only events and fifteen plow and salt events. Taken delivery of 1,146 ½ tons of salt. Have 53 ½ ton to take yet. There is an alternate site to store the salt. This has been a good year. This winter has had a lot less labor and overtime with a hidden benefit of less wear and tear on the vehicles.
- B. Dates for Bulk Material Drop-Off 2012.
Mike reported that there will be a notice in the paper for the Bulk Material Drop-Off dates. Those dates are May 19, June 30, July 28, August 25, and Sept 29. Mike noted that electronics will not be accepted.
- C. Update on Day to Day Operations.
Mike reported that the ventilation system at the garage is finished. Scott did the wiring for the ventilation system. It is fully operational and works excellent. The DPW Department has been working on clean up of damaged areas from snow removal, crack filling, and repairing of catch basins. Water to park buildings has been turned on. They will be cutting grass by the end of the week.

Item #7 Adjournment.

Motion by Ald. Toellner, second by Ald. Sertich to adjourn at 6:26 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Deanna Boldrey, City Clerk