

The meeting was called to order by Ald. Boelk at 7:12 p.m. with the following Roll Call:

Members Present: Ald. Schmidt, Ald. Neumann

Members Absent: Ald. Boelk

Others Present: Mayor Redeker, Lois Krueger, Darlene Smith, Ald. Hohmann, Ald. Toellner, Don Neitzel, Mike Kurutz, Ron Wellner

Item #2 – Approve Minutes of June 22, 2015, meetings.

Motion by Ald. Neumann second by Ald. Schmidt to approve the minutes of June 22, 2015. Motion carried 2-0.

Item #3 – Citizens Comments.

None.

Item #4 – Monthly Utilities Report.

A. Water Rates.

The new water rates approved by the Public Service Commission will go into effect October 1st. The monthly charge and reading dates need to be done at the same time by Oct. 1st. So the reading is getting done 4 days later each month. It will be approximately \$3.50 extra per month for the normal residential consumer.

B. Standpipe Replacement Project – progress report.

The base is poured. On Wednesday they will be tying into High Street, with the water main that leads to the tower, so the water will be shut off and the street closed to get this work done. General Asphalt will be coming in to pave it. Sept. 1st they will start constructing the steel portion of the tower. The old standpipe will remain in service until construction is complete. The Satellite Dish Tower will be put on the surplus auction site to sell.

C. Valve Exercising.

The valve exercising is complete. A few valves broke along the way. There was one on Ruedeusch and Main Street that broke. This valve was eliminated and a sleeve was put in. Ron will go through the books (2 big binders with valves that were exercised this year) and determine what to repair and what not to repair.

D. Sewer Cleaning Report.

The west side of town is getting done this year. On Friday, Clark Street to the Seneca property was being done and as they were cleaning they could not get through it. On the south end there was a collapse. They finally broke through and will televise it to see what needs to be done to fix it.

E. Kekoskee/LeRoy.

Because of the lender Kekoskee/LeRoy is using the contract required some different language which was sent to the city attorney and auditors to review. Ron is sure they will come back with a recommendation to update that contract.

F. Date and time of our next meeting is Tuesday, August 4, 2015, 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Item #5 – Monthly Engineering & Planning Report.

A. Maintenance of Breckenridge Street Terrace – Kenneth Luko, Sr., 379 Furnace Street.

The terrace is getting to be a problem (too steep) for Ken to maintain and he would like to put a retaining wall there. The retaining wall would be in the street right of way. Don recommended denying the request due to it being in the street right of way.

Motion by Ald. Schmidt, second by Ald. Neumann to deny the request from Kenneth Luko, Sr. Motion carried 2-0.

B. Development Interest Update.

The Merwin Oil survey was done which will be sent to the city attorney and the title work ordered and get a closing date set up for that. Don was notified of a potential auto part store coming to town in the old Marshland Pharmacy building.

C. 2015 Street Maintenance Program.

After the final invoice is received for the Cty. Hwy. V project there should be approximately \$75,000-\$80,000 left for street paving. Don will advertise this week for Bridge Street with Alley Street being an alternate because he is not 100% sure there will be enough funds to do it.

D. STH 28/67 Update.

Don has been meeting with the DOT, school district and a couple of local businesses to discuss the impact of the project on them. They still need to meet with the Fire Department to discuss what they will do with the fire trucks and Old Fashion Foods to discuss where their employees can park during this period of time. As part of the state agreement the city is responsible for the design of the traffic signals and will be reimbursed for that, so Don needs to get a contract going with a design firm for the traffic signals. The existing street lights on Hwy. 67 will come down as part of the project and delivered to the public works building where they will be sandblasted, painted, fixed up and reinstalled as part of the DOT's project.

E. Discuss/Recommend High Street Storm Sewer Improvements.

The bid results from the High Street Storm Sewer Improvements were received. Wondra Excavation and Town & Country were the 2 bids. Town & Country came in the lowest at \$37,851 which is a little over budget. After looking at Town & Country's bid, Don has some ideas on some changes that can be made to the bid to bring it in within the budget.

Motion by Ald. Schmidt, second by Ald. Neumann to recommend Town & Country for the High Street Storm Sewer Improvements project to Council. Motion carried 2-0.

Item #6- Monthly DPW Report.

A. Bulk material drop-off report for July.

Bulk drop-off was not as busy in July with only 2 ½ dumpsters. The next drop-off date is the 29th of August. The electronic drop-off will be at Theiler Park the last Saturday in September.

B. Brush pick-up dates for August.

Since there are 5 Mondays in August pick-up will be August 10th & August 31st.

C. Report on Main Street Trees.

There is a decline of trees on Main Street which were planted in 1989 with the downtown beautification project. Mike had a certified arborist from Beaver Dam come over and walk along Main Street from the American Legion to Bridge Street on both sides to look at the various stages of decline. They are 20+ years old. Basically what is happening is the roots are so bound up, so the holes are not big enough to support the growth of the trees. This will need to be addressed in the next two years. Mike contacted a nursery from the Jackson/Cedarburg area that do a lot of street tree planting. There are different varieties of trees which can be planted, how you cut the hole, etc. to help this situation. We will need to replace the bad trees and put them in proper locations. There are a few dead trees that will be removed this week.

D. Day to Day Operations report.

Paint crew is working on the white crosswalks and school crossings and when finished they will move to the yellow painting. Horicon & Main Street stop light has been replaced due to a truck accident. Light pole that was knocked down by a car accident in January will be in on Thursday and put up in the next week or two. We are making the conversion to LED stop lighting, currently addressing the intersection on Clark & Horicon streets. We are making those conversions over the next two years. Still busy with catch basin repair and we do have a lot of our snow plowing route that the trees have to be addressed due to hanging over the streets which will cause problems during snow plowing season.

Item # 7 – Review/Approve Garbage Collection Issue.

A. Tracy Heron, 6 S. John Street.

He would like to remove the charge for 1 set of garbage bins from his water bill. He is no longer renting out the first floor of the house. He considers this a single family home even though extended family is living there also. He has had the extra water meter removed. The extra bins have been picked up. He will be razing the 231 Bridge Street, Apt. A address. He will need to get a building permit to take care of this issue.

Item #8 –Adjournment.

Motion by Ald. Neumann, second by Ald. Schmidt to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Motion carried 2-0.

Darlene Smith, City Clerk