

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

**MAY 19, 2014**

The meeting was called to order by Ald. Boelk at 5:00 p.m. with the following Roll Call:

Members Present: Ald. Boelk, Ald. Neumann, Ald. Schmidt

Members Absent:

Others Present: Mayor Redeker, Ald. Hohmann, Ald. Longo, Darlene Smith, Lois Kruger, Mike Kurutz, Ron Wellner

Item #2 – Approve Minutes of April 21, 2014, meeting.

Motion by Ald. Schmidt, second by Ald. Boelk to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2014, meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Item #3 – Citizens Comments.

None.

Item #4 – Monthly Utilities Report.

A. Sanitary Sewer Laterals – Inspection and Repair/Replacement

Ron stated that the utilities will be televising the mains and the laterals all the way to the house. Homeowners own the lateral all the way from the house to the main. If it passes nothing has to be done; if it doesn't pass we have to line it or dig it up and replace it. The Utility Commission recommended to Council to finance the lateral lining or replacement expenses to the homeowner that has been ordered to repair their lateral done by the utility through deferred payment agreements. Payment would be over a 5 year period with a low interest rate. He expects it to cost \$1,500-\$5,000 per home. Homeowners can do it privately if they wish. Pilot study is in the Barwig Ave., Lincoln Ln., and Burchard Ave. area. There are 3 streets that drain into this one lift station. We can tell what kind of improvement we will make by repairing the laterals from the house to the road by limiting the quantity of space we will actually have a record to see if has done any good. Pilot Study area is on the 2016 Capital improvement plan to do Lincoln Ln. with Clark St., want to do it in 2015 but when borrowing from the state you have to turn in intent to apply and we are late on that. He is still checking on it.

B. Hydrant Flushing

Ron said that the hydrant flushing is complete. A hydrant blew apart and injured Mike Engel. The valve nut on top of the hydrant blew off striking Mike in the elbow. The hydrant slammed shut causing 2 main breaks on Emmer Street, which have been repaired and the blacktop has been cut for resurfacing. Another main break on Horicon and John Streets may also have been caused by the water hammer.

C. WWTP Flooding 4-13, 14

Ron talked about the Water Wastewater Treatment Plant flooding that occurred on the night of the April 13. We were bypassing and we received 6" of rain and the manhole on the west side of town was knocked off and the dams were open and the water was pouring right in in there. The lift station was pumping 2,500 gallons a minute to the treatment plant and the treatment plant pumps can only pump 4,000 gallons a minute, so obviously we were flooding. In the morning sent a crew to temporarily fix it and the lift station flooding had immediately subsided. Ron notified the DNR that we were bypassing, filled out paper work for the DNR and put an ad in the newspaper. He did everything that we legally had to.

D. Well #3 Tour of Utilities Commissioners & Council Members.

About 5 p.m. on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, he is giving the utility commissioners a tour of Well #3 and any council members who want to attend. It should only take a ½ hour. At the July Commission meeting Ron will be giving a tour of the Wastewater Treatment Plant. This will take longer.

E. Ziegler Park Procedures during Wastewater Discharge.

Need a process in place. Need to close the park when this happens. Put up a sign that says Park Closed. Ron will communicate to Mike when there is flooding and we are bypassing. Ron feels it should be done every time we open the dams.

Date and Time of Next Meeting: June 3, 2014 at 6 p.m. at City Hall.

Item #5 – Monthly Engineering & Planning Report.

Don Neitzel was not present, so the Mayor read his report.

A. State Hwy. 28/67 Reconstruction.

The traffic analysis is currently being performed by TADI. Cost comparison for street lighting to stay with the lease with Alliant Energy or for the City to design and install their own. The Council needs to address the DOT's request to move parking on State Hwy. 28 from Walnut to School Street to the south side to help truck turning movement on and off of John Street.

Received news from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation that the canopy at the BP station has no historical value and can be removed.

B. State Hwy 28 Development Update.

Shop-Ko is scheduled to open up Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Fastenal site grading is underway. No further update on the assisted living development. Restoration of the ditches on the State Highway 28 will be completed once weather and ground conditions permit.

C. BP Station.

The state told us the requirements on the weights and measures on the existing tanks. We need to remove the tanks now. We are trying to get a reprieve from their decision on that. They gave us to the end of the summer to remove the tanks. We are getting some prices from different companies on the removal of the tanks. We plan on using some of the resurfacing dollars in order to accomplish this. We will also have the money from selling the canopy. Would also like to use the money from selling the building as well.

D. 2014 Street Resurfacing.

The budget for this has decreased by ½ for this year. I will have this on the June council meeting for approval to go out for bid.

E. Lower Dam Repairs.

I will be getting proposals for this work and will have it on the agenda in June council meeting for action/approval.

F. River Knoll Industrial Park.

The City Attorney is working on closing statements for the offer to purchase that was approved last month for a lot in the Industrial Park. I have also been contacted in the last two weeks from a business in an adjacent community that has interest in the Industrial Park. I have provided them with an informational packet for the Industrial Park

Item #6 – Monthly DPW Report.

A. Day to Day Operation Report

Mike reported that once the weather cooperates they want to start crack filling. We will then start our street painting starting with the white crosswalks. Working on street light repair and also got the new stop light installed by Horicon Street that was damaged by a car accident this winter. Bulk Drop-off is on the 31st of May from 8 a.m.-noon behind the Water Wastewater Plant. New this year we will be taking computer towers, keyboards, mouse, flat screen monitors, fax machines, DVD players, cell phones and laptops to recycle. We continue to monitor the dams on a daily basis. We take daily measurements for the DNR. The benches are turned on Main Street. Working on lawn restoration from the snow plow damage this winter.

B. Ash Tree Assessments of City Trees

This week is Emerald Ash Bore Awareness Week. The Emerald Ash Bore threatens all the Ash Trees. We want to do an inventory of all our public Ash Trees and the condition of them and come up with a plan of attack. It is here, it is as close as the Town of Lomira.

C. Column Repair at Park Pavilion.

Mike did an inspection along the shoreline. He noticed that one of the footings on the far south column showed some deterioration, he had a mason come in and look at it who had some concerns because the building is open to the public, so I then had a structural engineer come and look at it. The footing is in need of repair and the engineer is coming up with recommendations on the type of repair and procedures to be done. We are looking at doing the repairs in the next 3 to 4 months.

Item #7 Adjournment.

Motion by Ald. Neumann, second by Ald. Schmidt to adjourn at 5:35 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Darlene Smith, City Clerk