## WATER/WASTEWATER MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Commissioner Bushke with the following roll call:Members Present:Commissioners Bushke, Pasbrig, and Engel; and Alderpersons Smith<br/>Alderperson Frings, Detuncq, GuseOthers Present:Nathan Kempke; Christina Keller, Sandi Leuhring

### Citizen Comments.

None.

## Consent Agenda.

### Minutes of June 5, 2018, Water Utility Bills, Wastewater Bills.

Motion by Ald. Smith., second by Com. Pasbrig to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed 4-0. Questions regarding a few bills. Questions answered.

### 911 Alphyll Lane Sewer Backup Claim Discussion/Action.

The property owner, Sandi Leuhring, was in attendance. In April there was a sewer backup at 911 Alphyll Ln house. Rags were found in the manhole blocking the pipe which caused the backup. Ms. Luehring received a quote for cleaning her house and submitted a claim that was forwarded to the City insurance company and later denied. Nathan stated that when the sewer main was jetted to fix the backup, it was noted that a pipe connection in the manhole appeared to be offset which could be a potential cause for the backup. Alphyll Lane will be added to the list for televising in October to further investigate the issue. Ald Smith suggested Ms. Luehring consider installing a backflow prevention floor drain for extra protection from backups in the meantime.

Motion by Com. Pasbrig, second by Com. Engel to approve the cleaning of 911 Alphyll Lane by Service Master and the Utility will pay Service Master for the cleaning. Motion passed 4-0.

Luehring leaves.

### Water Report.

### Well & Distribution System Report/Discussion.

Two water main breaks have occurred since the last meeting. First: Alphyll Lane/Clark Street. Replaced the valve and removed the manhole. Second: Allen Street in front of City Hall. The DNR came out July 3 for an annual inspection of all four wells and both towers along with the record keeping at the office. They provided a few suggestions but nothing major – a report will be coming later. Construction update: the water main has been installed Horicon Street from Clark Street to Main Street. The water laterals should be finishing this week. Main Street closure is going to start the 16<sup>th</sup> of July. So far, a total of 9 lead services have been found within the project.

### Clark Street Water Tower Electric/Discussion/Possible Action.

Steiner Electric submitted a quote for splitting out services at the water tower, one breaker box for the tower electric and the other for the County electric. Alliant stated they would charge \$300 to provide two separate meters. Com. Bushke suggests that we contact the County and provide them with the quotes. The Commission has directed Nathan to send the County a letter requesting them to pay for the installation of both breaker boxes with a timeline for at least a response to the request by August 1.

#### Water Valve Replacements/Discussion/Possible Action.

We had budgeted for the replacement of 3 water valves per year. Last year, however, only 1 valve was replaced due to the unexpected costs for repairs at Well #2. Nathan is asking that we replace 6 valves this year so we don't fall behind on replacing valves that need it. Tim has made a list of the 6 valves that need to be replaced first. We received separate quotes for both parts and labor. There is a cost savings to order parts and hire a contractor to install them. Com. Engel questions Core & Main's name brand of valves.

Motion by Com. Engel, second by Ald. Smith to hire Town and County to install the parts from Core & Main if they match the city's specs. Motion passed 4-0.

#### Wastewater Report. WWTP & Lift station Report/Discussion.

Flows into the plant have lowered since the rain stopped. We are in the process of submitting a Mercury variance request with DNR as part of the permit renewal process - MSA is helping us with this. Still waiting to hear from Beaver Gunite on a solution for the cracking on the sludge tank. Construction update: the sanitary sewer and laterals have been installed on Horicon Street from Clark Street to Main Street. The intersection of Horicon Street & Main Street will start next week.

# Sanitary Sewer Lateral Replace and WWTP Infiltration/Discussion.

This item is on the agenda based on the Council's introduction for repealing the sewer later replacement ordinance. The infiltration into the WWTP is still an issue, so other solutions need to be considered. Pipe lining and manhole repairs were discussed. Com. Bushke would like to review a cost estimate calculating the total length of clay pipe that would need to be lined in the city and the number of manholes that need repairs.

# Manhole Inspections/Discussion.

The crew has inspected 30 manholes so far during the jetting work. A leaking manhole was found near the lift station on River Drive that will be added to the list of repairs that are priority. A few others were found to have minor leaks.

# Generator Switch Repair Discussion/Possible Action.

Nathan explained that the motion at the last meeting approved the repairing the switch and looking into using replacement fund money. We have received confirmation from the DNR and our auditor that replacement funds can be used to replace the switch rather than repair it. Nathan asked the Commission if they would rather use replacement fund money to replace the switch instead of repairing it, now that we have confirmation we are allowed to use those funds.

Motion by Ald. Smith, second by Com. Engel to approve Interstate Power Systems quote for installing the Delayed Time generator switch along with an additional cost of \$8,500 for the use of a temporary generator during the installation process. Motion passed 4-0.

# ADJOURNMENT.

Motion by Ald. Smith, second by Com. Pasbrig to adjourn at 7:26p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Christina Keller, Utility Accountant