

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Commissioner Bushke with the following roll call:

Members Present: Commissioner Engel, Lodahl (via zoom), Pasbrig, Smith (via zoom) and Commissioner Buske  
Members Absent: Commissioner Guse and Alderperson Frings  
Others Present: Nichole DeBaker; Courtney Steger, Greg Gunderson MSA Professional Services, Tim Gutjhar (4:10pm)

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Richard and Donna Bennett of 293 N Mountain Dr approached the Commission regarding a possible reduction in sewer fees due to a garden hose malfunction contributing to a higher than average usage. This item is pending action at the November 3, 2020 Commission Meeting.

Keith Lodahl of 150 N German St. wanted to thank Utilities and DPW for completing the sunken sidewalk repairs on German St.

**CONSENT AGENDA****Minutes of September 1, 2020, Water Utility Bills, Wastewater Bills.**

Motion by Commissioner Pasbrig, second by Commissioner Lodahl to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed 5-0.

**WATER REPORT****Well & Distribution System Report/Discussion**

- Main break on Horicon Street near BP on 9/9. Concrete repairs have been completed.
- The site plan for lead and copper sampling was approved. We were able to populate 21 sampling sites and satisfy DNR requirements for tier 1 sampling. The sampling process and letters have been revised for simplicity. All 21 samples have been collected and analyzed. All test homes notifications are complete as well as DNR compliance notifications.
- The fluoride ordinance repeal was introduced on 9/14. A public hearing will take place on October 12<sup>th</sup>. The dentists in town have been notified.
- Valve exercising has started and is expected to take a couple months.
- Well #2 experienced some fault alarms on 9/28. Water Well Solutions came out to identify the issue and found the new motor was shorting. The motor is irreparable. This is a warranty item through our contract, but may take a while since Suez and Water Wells have recently changed ownership. The previous insurance claim for the same well has been partially paid, \$36,000 of \$70,000. Greg is working with the insurance company to find out why.
- Initial preferential application materials have been submitted to the DNR for ranking grant funding for lead services. The next steps include archeological and endangered species reviews as well as RFQ's for contractors. The RFQ has been written, and is ready being edited to send to contractors. A local master plumber with extensive experience in Milwaukee and West Allis' lead service grant programs is on board to help with the program details as well as lead service replacements.
- We have submitted a work comp injury. A water operator had his shoe string get caught on a pipe protruding from a well house floor. He fell, bracing himself with his arm and fractured his elbow. The pipe has since been covered.

## **WASTEWATER REPORT**

### **WWTP & Lift station Report/Discussion**

- Whole effluent toxicity testing (WET) requirements per the DNR have been completed. Testing is complete and went well. The next required WET test has been scheduled for the week of April 19<sup>th</sup>. An acute and chronic test are both required at that time.
- Televising approximately 15,000 feet of sanitary sewer has been scheduled. The focus of these inspections will be on previously untelevised and problematic areas. We are going to make our best attempt at completing the cleaning portion prior to televising.
- On the evening of 9/11, we experienced electrical issues with a clarifier arm and again on 9/14. We had concerns over torque switches and the possible cause of the issue. The clarifier has been taken down entirely, inspected, pressure washed, and re-caulked. An electrician is also taking a look at any possible electrical issues related to this incident.
- All sunken sidewalks from the previous lateral ordinance on German Street have been repaired.
- Town & Country is continuing to work with Don Nietzel regarding Shore Lane. Town and Country are expected to properly abandon the old sanitary MH on Friday or Monday of next week.
- Carus came out on 9/30 to do jar testing on a product similar to RE300 for phosphorus removal. Other studies show this product produces the same results as RE300, but with significant cost savings.
- Lab services have been hired out for two weeks starting today to allow personnel to use vacation.
- We have a summer employee currently quarantined erring on the side of caution. Help is very limited at the moment since he was able to commit to full time hours.
- Funding for Bridge Street has not previously been accounted for in our records. Meetings for funding were previously delayed due to COVID concerns, but previous projects were funded through DNR loans at a reduced rate and the Safe Drinking Water and Clean Water Acts. Grant money is potentially available as well. This estimated repayment plan has been budgeted for.

### **PRESENTATION BY MSA REGARDING REGIONALIZATION**

Greg Gunderson of MSA Professional Services provided an update regarding regionalization with the Village of Iron Ridge. After further discussion with Wisconsin DNR, The Village of Iron Ridge and Mayville Utilities it is unlikely regionalization will be pursued. Mr. Gunderson also discussed the need for a facility review for Mayville Utilities.

### **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PROPOSAL FROM HYDRO CORP FOR CROSS CONNECTION INSPECTIONS**

No Action taken, pending questions regarding Cross Connection Ordinances and bypasses on large meters. Tabled until November 3, 2020 Commission Meeting.

### **2021 OPERATING BUDGETS**

Motion by Commissioner Pasbrig, second by Commissioner Engel to accept the proposed 2021 Water and Wastewater Operating Budgets and 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan. Motion passed 5-0.

Tim Gutjahr leaves 4:50p.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Commissioner Pasbrig, second by Commissioner Engel to adjourn at 5:07 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Nichole DeBaker, Utility Accountant