

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MINUTES**  
**OF MAY 18, 2015**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Buttke at 5:30 PM in the Council Chambers of City Hall Plaza.

**PRESENT:** Tom Buttke, Ed Wagner, Mike Feirer, Gary Cummings and Chris Jockheck

**EXCUSED:** None

**ALSO PRESENT:** Alderman Earl; City Administrator Barg; Director of Public Works Knoeck; City Engineer Turchi; Assistant City Engineer Cassidy; City Planner Miller; Street Superintendent Winch; Assistant Street Superintendent Hawley; Angie Eloranta – Main Street Marshfield; the media; and others.

**PW15-61** Motion by Feirer, second by Jockheck to recommend approval of the minutes of the May 4, 2015 and May 12, 2015 Board of Public Works meetings.

**Motion Carried**

**Citizen Comments –**

John Scheuer, 513 N Chestnut – thanks for the opportunity to comment on the West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Proposal – the connection between the library and SJ Miller does not seem like a logical connection. People attending the ball games are not going to the library before or after the game nor will a family go to the baseball game after using the library. Many of the fans come from out of town and are not likely to use the library. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Street proposal will interrupt downtown commerce. Instead, he proposes closing West Third, west of the alley to Chestnut so that area could be used for a green space. It could be used by the Aster and Chestnut Center for the Arts. Chestnut would remain open at third and then develop plans for improving third from Chestnut to Spruce in a similar way as to what has been proposed on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.

Pat Baer, 112 W 4<sup>th</sup> Street, owner of Charles Apartments – concerned about the future of the post office lot. There is a real problem in the parking lot by Police Department. The lot is constantly full to capacity. The post office is currently the only lot in town where they do not allow daytime parking permits. People with those permits are parking in the 100 block lot by the Police Department. The post office lot should be expanded to allow for more daytime permits.

CW Mitten, IV, 611 East 29<sup>th</sup> Street, owner and president of Mittens – concerned with safety aspect and with one-way traffic. One-way traffic will be very confusing for elderly customers. 70% of their customers use their side door. He is concerned with parking and safety. He questions why we didn't have a plan drawn up to keep things the same. With 73% of people in the study thinking one-way is a bad idea, he hopes that we listen to the people.

Jeff Kleiman, 1112 West State Street – small business owner opposite Mittens. He is inclined to agree with the previous speakers. Has watched pedestrian and other traffic for 27 years and has seen the difficulty people have adopting to new patterns. Second, he sees the important flow of traffic on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street that does go between the ball parks, the post office and the library, all sorts of people, all ages. His speaking against this is strictly on the basis of what he has seen and experienced. Also he has seen some ideas that seemed good at the time falter within a decade of their application. For example, this city is neither so large or so busy that we need one-way streets. He has also seen pedestrian malls come and go. While it would be nice to encourage people to walk more, provide trees, bump outs, seating and the like, he is afraid that this is not a town that embraces that. The reality of the situation in this time and place is that the status quo is adequate.

City Engineer Turchi presented an Engineering Division construction update. Street Superintendent Winch presented a Street Division construction update.

**PW15-62** Motion by Wagner, second by Jockheck to recommend approval of the bid submitted by Earth, Inc. of Arpin, WI for Contract No. 2015-03 (Proposals A & B only) in the amount of \$254,970.50, hold Proposal C for further review and authorize execution of a contract.

**Motion Carried**

City Planner Miller reviewed the public comments on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Corridor Project and asked the Board for direction on the final design. The consensus seemed to point toward Option B. Alderman Wagner tried to summarize the direction to staff by suggesting that staff look at a hybrid design that allows for two-way traffic, some green space, and adds angle parking where possible. In addition, bike lanes are important for access to the library. Outdoor dining and public art are more programmatic as long as space is allowed for it.

**PW15-63** Motion by Feirer, second by Jockheck to recommend approval of the request of Healthy Lifestyles to add path numbers to the apple symbols on the walking paths in the City of Marshfield.

**Motion Carried**

**PW15-64** Motion by Wagner, second by Cummings to recommend approval of the low quotation submitted by Sherwin Williams of Marshfield, WI for a Line Lazer IV 3900 paint machine with bead dispenser at a cost of \$5,990, authorize execution of a purchase agreement, and refer Budget Resolution 10-2015 to the Common Council for Consideration.

**Motion Carried**

**PW15-65** Motion by Cummings, second by Feirer to recommend that the donation of picnic tables, bench and related materials around the Veterans Memorial Platform be accepted and that the Parks Department provide the labor for installation and take on responsibility for future maintenance.

**Jockheck voted "No" - Motion Carried**

**PW15-66** Motion by Wagner, second by Jockheck to adjourn to closed session at 6:43 PM pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Chapter 19.85(1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

- Purchase of property at 306 South Maple Avenue

**Roll call vote, all 'Ayes' Motion Carried**

**Present in Closed Session:** Aldermen Feirer, Wagner, Buttke, Jockheck, Cummings & Earll; Administrator Barg; Director of Public Works Knoeck; City Engineer Turchi.

**PW15-67** Motion by Feirer, second by Jockheck to reconvene in open session at 6:47 PM.

**Roll call vote, all 'Ayes' Motion Carried**

**PW15-68** Motion by Jockheck, second by Feirer to recommend approval of a revised purchase agreement to purchase property at 306 South Maple Avenue and authorize execution of purchase documents.

**Motion Carried**

**Recommended items for future agendas** – Approval of a use agreement with the American Legion for the Fallen Soldier Veterans Memorial on Veterans Parkway

Motion by Cummings, second by Wagner that the meeting be adjourned at 6:49 PM.

**Motion Carried**



Daniel G. Knoeck, Secretary  
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