

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MINUTES**  
**OF FEBRUARY 2, 2015**

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

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

**EXCUSED:** Mike Feirer

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mayor Meyer; Alderman Earll; City Administrator Barg; Director of Public Works Knoeck; City Engineer Turchi; Assistant City Engineer Cassidy; Civil Engineer Mauritz; Street Superintendent Winch; City Planner Miller; Parks & Recreation Director Englehart; Building Services Supervisor Pokorny; Wastewater Superintendent Warp; the media; and others.

**PW15-12** Motion by Buttke, second by Wagner to recommend approval of the minutes of the January 19, 2015 Board of Public Works meeting.

**Motion Carried**

**Citizen Comments - None**

**PW15-13** Motion by Jockheck, second by Buttke to recommend approval of the bid submitted by Shaw Painting of Marshfield, WI for Project BS-K-3956 City Hall Plaza Stairway Repair and Paint at a cost not to exceed \$16,500 and authorize execution of a contract.

**Motion Carried**

City Planner Miller presented information for the consideration of a Green Street Corridor for 2<sup>nd</sup> Street from Cedar Avenue to S.J. Miller Park. Buttke questioned the real benefit of this concept. Wagner stated that with all of the improvements downtown, we have still failed at bringing a critical mass of people downtown. Green space allows you to create reasons for people to be downtown. He is in favor of the pedestrian corridor. Buttke agrees with Wagner's comments but asked if it will really bring people downtown or does retail need to be there first. Mayor Meyer stated that it is the same old chicken and egg question. He is encouraging the Board of Public Works to be bold. He can't guarantee business will come but this certainly changes the way we have thought about downtown in the past. Buttke would like to see something move forward but he still has questions. Jockheck thinks this will work well to tie the library project to the downtown, which has been a goal of his. He would like to see this move forward. He asked if we have looked at traffic impacts yet. Buttke asked how we get the logging trucks off of Central Avenue – he feels this is a priority. Cummings stated that parking for businesses would be lost along 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Wagner asked what the next step would be. Miller responded that public outreach, business contact, understanding the impacts will be important steps.

**PW15-14** Motion by Wagner, second by Buttke to recommend proceeding with the plans for Maple Avenue reconstruction leaving Second Street out of the project, and to direct staff to begin looking at the options and developing cost estimates for a Green Street Corridor for 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.

**Motion Carried**

**PW15-15** Motion by Buttke, second by Jockheck to recommend approval for the City of Marshfield to join the League of Wisconsin Municipalities Local Government Stormwater Group.

**Motion Carried**

**PW15-16** Motion by Jockheck, second by Wagner to recommend approval of Public Works Department Budget Carryovers as presented and refer to the Common Council for consideration:

- Building Services – Nuisance Properties - \$2,250 - #101.5241023.230000.52900
- Engineering Division – Sidewalk Repair - \$10,000 - #101.5343231.312020.52400

**Motion Carried**

City Engineer Turchi presented a video demonstration of Sanitary Sewer Lateral Televising.

Parks & Recreation Director Englehart presented an update of the Wildwood/McMillan Connector Trail Project.

**PW15-17** Motion by Jockheck, second by Buttke to adjourn to closed session at 6:23 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.

- City Hall Plaza Leases

**Roll call vote, all ‘Ayes’ Motion Carried**

**Present in Closed Session:** Mayor Meyer, Aldermen Wagner, Buttke, Jockheck, Cummings, & Earll; City Administrator Barg; Director of Public Works Knoeck; City Engineer Turchi; Assistant City Engineer Cassidy; Parks & Recreation Director Englehart.

**PW15-18** Motion by Jockheck, second by Buttke to reconvene in open session at 6:58 PM.

**Roll call vote, all ‘Ayes’ Motion Carried**

**PW15-19** Motion Wagner, second by Buttke to recommend approval of an amended lease agreement with Wood County for space in City Hall Plaza and authorize staff to execute the lease.

**Motion Carried**

**Recommended items for future agendas:**

- Alderman Buttke requested a sewer main lining video be presented at a future meeting.
- Knoeck mentioned that he has been in contact with the railroad regarding the Central Avenue crossing and that he will have an update for the Board at a future meeting.

Motion by Jockheck, second by Wagner that the meeting be adjourned at 7:02 PM.

**Motion Carried**