

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MINUTES**  
**OF JULY 14, 2014**

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

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

**EXCUSED:** None

**ALSO PRESENT:** Alderperson Earll; City Administrator Barg; Director of Public Works Knoeck; City Engineer Turchi; Wastewater Superintendent Warp; Cemetery Coordinator Baltus; Building Services Supervisor Pokorny; Bob Trussoni and Dave Wasserburger – Marshfield Utilities; the media; and others.

**PW14-100** Motion by Cummings, second by Wagner to recommend approval of the minutes of the June 30, 2014 Board of Public Works meeting.

**Motion Carried**

**Citizen Comments - None**

Director of Public Works Knoeck presented a Street Division construction update. He noted that with the late start of the construction season, we have started looking at which asphalt projects might be delayed to 2015 if time does not allow them to be completed this year. Those projects would be Apple Avenue from 15<sup>th</sup> Street to 17<sup>th</sup> Street and Cherry Avenue from Cleveland Street to Edison Street.

City Engineer Turchi presented an Engineering Division construction update and noted that WisDOT is taking traffic counts in the City over the next few weeks.

Dave Wasserburger presented an update on water main break street patching. There are 83 patches to do. Saw cutting on concrete streets started July 8<sup>th</sup> and asphalt saw cutting should start this week. Hopefully all patches will be completed by mid-October. Alderman Buttke feels the patching needs to be done sooner and they may need to look for other contractors to get the work done. Buttke also mentioned that the Street Department used to do these patches and is not sure if that could be an option again.

**PW14-101** Motion by Buttke, second by Cummings to recommend approval of the low bid submitted by Dirty Ducts Cleaning, Environmental & Insulation, Inc. of Madison, WI for the 200 block asbestos removal project at a cost not to exceed \$28,500 and authorize execution of a contract.

**Motion Carried**

**PW14-102** Motion by Wagner, second by Cummings to recommend approval of Wastewater Utility Debt Issue in the amount of \$1,990,000 to occur in 2014 and request a budget resolution be drafted for Common Council consideration.

**Motion Carried**

The Board of Public Works discussed the removal of the Vaughn Hansen Committal Chapel at the Cemetery. Alderman Feirer stated that the letter from Dr. Vaughn references a deed and he asked if the City has met the obligations of the deed. Barg reported that City Attorney Wolfgram has reviewed the deed and does not see anything binding that would require the city to keep the building. Cummings does not want to see the building come down and thinks we may be rushing into this too quickly. Wagner stated that the use for the building is as a memorial and questioned if the building can be stripped down to be made maintenance free and still remain as a memorial to the Vaughn family. Building Services Supervisor Pokorny stated that we may be putting more money into it to strip it down and it will still need to be maintained. Wagner would like to see a professional look at the building to see if anything could be done to minimize maintenance for a monument. City Administrator Barg

questioned what level of financial commitment the City would be willing to put toward this project, both in repairs and ongoing maintenance. Wagner feels we have new information to consider before a final decision is made. Buttke agrees that we need to look at all the alternatives and we don't need to be in a big hurry right now. Wagner would like to see a cost estimate to take the building down to the bare essentials so the building could withstand the weather. The consensus of the Board was to get information on professional services to analyze the building and see what the costs of those services would be.

**Recommended items for future agendas:**

Alderman Cummings asked if the City can force the owners of the 2 houses on the 200 block of South Peach Avenue to stop the demolition and board up the doors and windows.

Motion by Jockheck, second by Cummings that the meeting be adjourned at 6:20 PM.

**Motion Carried**

Daniel G. Knoeck, Secretary  
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