

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MINUTES
OF APRIL 16, 2012

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

PRESENT: Mike Feirer, Tom Buttke, Dave LaFontaine, Gary Cummings and Ed Wagner

EXCUSED: None

ALSO PRESENT: Alderman Earll; City Administrator Barg; Director of Public Works Knoeck; City Engineer Turchi; Assistant City Engineer Cassidy; Street Superintendent Panzer; Wastewater Superintendent Warp; Parks & Recreation Supervisor Steinbach; Scott Larson – MACCI; Bill Penker; the media; and others.

PW12-42 Motion by LaFontaine, second by Buttke to recommend approval of the minutes of the April 2, 2012 Board of Public Works meeting.

All ‘Ayes’ Motion Carried

Citizen Comments

- Alderman LaFontaine state that after the bike trail discussion at the last Board of Public Works meeting, he drove the Pine Avenue alternate route and noted a power line on one side of the street and 17 trees on the other side of the street that would be in conflict with a trail.
- Director of Public Works Knoeck recognized City Engineer Tom Turchi for his participation in and recent graduation from the Leadership Marshfield program.

City Engineer Turchi presented an Engineering Division construction update and Street Superintendent Panzer presented Street Division construction update.

Director of Public Works Knoeck presented the proposed location for a new storage building for Rotary Winter Wonderland to be located on the south side of Wildwood Park woods and accessed off the Wildlife Loop road. Buttke noted that the Parks, Recreation and Forestry Committee unanimously passed a motion asking Rotary to find a new location. The committee recognizes that Rotary does an awesome job for the community and initially they were going to support the building, however after much discussion, they felt they needed to look at what is best for the zoo and felt this would not be in the best interest. Cummings questioned the convenience of this location, having to travel the one-way road around the wildlife pen to get to it. Wagner was concerned with private ownership on City property and what happens in the future if the location for Winter Wonderland changes or the event is discontinued. He is inclined not to support it at this time. This was a discussion item only.

PW12-43 Motion by Buttke, second by Cummings to recommend approval of the proposal submitted by Innovative Services, Inc. to provide park and restroom cleaning services for the Parks & recreation Department Monday through Saturday from April 30, 2012 through September 29, 2012 at a cost not to exceed \$10,500 and authorize execution of an agreement.

All ‘Ayes’, Motion Carried

PW12-44 Motion by Wagner, second by Cummings to recommend approval of the low quotation submitted by Power Pac of Marshfield, WI for a 2012 John Deere 1565 Compact Tractor for the Street Division at a cost of \$30,440.85, and authorize execution of a purchase agreement.

All ‘Ayes’, Motion Carried

Director of Public Works Knoeck presented some initial design concepts for reconstruction of Chestnut Avenue from 7th Street to Veterans Parkway, which include bike lanes, additional parking and bump outs at most intersections. To have room for bike lanes, the grass terrace would be eliminated on both sides of the street. Buttke was concerned with the bump outs and the impact they have on snow removal. Street Division staff are clearing the bump outs on Central Avenue and the same would be expected on Chestnut Avenue. Wagner is concerned about the loss of grass terrace width and with bump outs that are a hindrance to snow removal. Buttke asked about ways to get pedestrians to use the crosswalk at Second Street to access the Post Office rather than walking between traffic when crossing from the municipal lot on the east side of Chestnut. Knoeck suggested the possibility of a decorative railing of some sort along the sidewalk on the east side of Chestnut to funnel pedestrians to the crosswalk. LaFontaine is opposed to eliminating the north westbound lane on 4th Street from Central Avenue to Chestnut Avenue. He sees a lot of right turning traffic coming from east of Central Avenue using that lane to turn right and go up to the Post Office.

PW12-45 Motion by Buttke, second by Wagner to recommend approval of the final assessments for 2011 Asphalt Mill-In-Place Projects as presented.

All 'Ayes', Motion Carried

Director of Public Works Knoeck updated the Board of Public Works on the State Elk's convention that will be held in Marshfield on the weekend of May 3 – 6, 2012.

Recommended items for future agendas:

- Alderman Buttke stated that he was made aware of a problem property on North Cherry Avenue. The neighbors have been dealing with it for a long time. At some point in the near future, he would like to see a list of problem properties. If the City needs to change policy or ordinance to address these problem properties in a more timely process, he would like to see that considered.

Motion by LaFontaine, second by Cummings that the meeting be adjourned at 6:19 PM.

All 'Ayes' Motion Carried

Daniel G. Knoeck, Secretary
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