

Public Works Meeting Minutes
November 18th, 2008

The Public Works Committee met on November 18th, 2008 at 5:00 PM at the City Garage.

Present: Wayne Schmidt, Harold Nell, Ken Iwen, Lynn Lawrenz, Paula Wiese

Also Present: Gary Paape, Dave Welsing (Robert E. Lee), Dick Riederer, Tom Romdenne, Craig Schuh (Ayres Associates)

Moved by Schmidt, second by Iwen to adopt the agenda. MC.

Moved by Nell, second by Schmidt to approve the minutes of the last meeting. MC.

No Public Comment

Moved by Schmidt, second by Iwen to approve the bills for the Street Dept. & the WWTF. MC.

WWTF Report:

- ▶ Average daily flow 295,000 gallons/day; organic loading at 99% of capacity.
- ▶ Primary Digester cover has been reset. Digester has been filled and is presently being heated to its normal 95 degree operating range. The estimated shipping date for the new digester gas compressors is late '08 or early '09.
- ▶ Annual Biosolid land application is complete.
- ▶ Hot water recirculation pump installed and building heating system back on-line.

Street Dept. Report:

- ▶ Brush pick-up complete. One more round of leaf pick-up.
- ▶ Arlington East of "S" has a black top mat on it.
- ▶ Truck box was repaired by Olson Fab at about 1/3 the cost of a new box.
- ▶ Gary gave brief updates on the 6th St. and Frank St. projects.
- ▶ Safety training refresher course on December 16th from 8:30-2:00.

Moved by Schmidt, second by Nell to approve Street Dept. and WWTF report. MC.

Old Business:

Perry St. Project – Welsing gave an update on the Perry St. project. Mertens continues to work on approaches and should be done in a week or two, weather permitting. They are dormant seeding this year.

Arlington St. project – Arlington is paved. May have to re-seed some spots in spring. Awaiting easement from Stoller for cul-de-sac.

Frank St. project - Curbing is going in next week.

New Business:

City Snow removal bid opening. Two bids were received.

Motion by Schmidt, second by Nell to accept bid from Marv's Lawncare & Landscaping for a one year snow removal contract, 2008-2009 season, subject to proof of insurance. MC.

Veolia will be supplying Tom several different options for City garbage pick-up. He will forward the information to us for review before the December 1st Public Works meeting prior to the regular Council meeting. A decision will be made at the December 1st meeting about garbage pick-up contract.

Chopick's creek project – The DNR rejected several of the proposal options. However, Welsing believes they will reconsider the project if they reduce the project length from 75' to 55'. This should solve the resident's problem and satisfy the DNR requirements.

Motion by Iwen, second by Nell to approve Robert E. Lee to pursue a permit for the Chopick's Creek project. MC.

Craig Schuh discussed the request by De Groot to suspend the contract calendar on the Marina Parking Lot project. There is an unusual amount of frost for this time of year and De Groot feels it would be compromising the integrity of the project if they black topped this year. The lot would still be usable for parking in the spring. There would be several days that it couldn't be used while they are black topping and painting lines.

Motion by Nell, second by Schmidt to suspend the contract calendar on the Marina Parking Lot until spring, and waive penalties assuming De Groot will absorb any additional administrative costs on the project and the project clock will re-start in spring when De Groot begins black topping. MC.

Next meeting date December 23rd, 5:00 PM at City Garage.

Moved by Iwen, second by Nell to adjourn to the December 1st, 2008 meeting at City Hall at 4:30 PM. MC.

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM.