

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

06/14/2022

Meeting called to order by Bryan at 9:00 AM. Present: Bryan, Peterson, Whiteside, Eldrige, Pearson

City employees; Kovachevich, Burg

Carol Fahrenkrog, Chamber of Commerce

Motion to approve agenda was approved

Motion to approve Minutes from May meeting, approved

1. Old Business

- a. There was a discussion about the charges for doing a temporary repair to the HWY 13 failure. The WISDOT sent a bill for \$6,013.17, explaining they thought this was fair for the city to pay for some share of the repair. Dave Dupleau from DOT was on line during the meeting. He said that his superiors had suggested this. They also were quoting their policy based on maintenance of the storm sewer. The committee asked them what the probable life of a storm sewer was. It was suggested around 30 years, depending on the soil type. Some soils are aggressive and require repairs sooner, some later. This storm sewer was put in in 1985, 37 years ago. The committee feels that this is not a maintenance issue, but a replacement issue. The committee suggested to the DOT that they reconsider their request for payment, doing a normal repair to an old infrastructure.

2. Public Works Report

- a. The committee reviewed the revised job description for the Public Works director position. Revisions were proposed, Jim will revise and sent to Mel for categoric review.

- b. Strand was here to do a planning survey for Manypenny, east of the city border. This has been done to be shovel ready if an appropriate grant becomes available.
 - c. Dumpster day was a big success, filling 7 dumpsters.
 - d. Tom mentioned that they have started ditch work and general city clean up.
 - e. Tom also reported that the brush area may be getting filled up with out-of-town residents. May need to cable the area off.
3. Utility Operator
- a. Mike reported on hydrant maintenance training that he received.
 - b. Reported that there is a water leak at a residence on Sweeny Ave. Owner has been notified that they are responsible for the repair.
 - c. Mike also has to get sample collection training for PFAS testing.
4. Artist Guild
- a. Carol F for the Chamber presented a plan for the Artist Guild for sidewalk displays on the 09/11/2022. The Committee reviewed the request and a motion was made to approve request. Motion passed.
5. Clean Water Program
- a. The city applied for the clean water program grant. Tom reported that we did not get a high enough ranking to receive the grant.
6. May Budget Review
- a. Budget is in order, but will be challenged by high fuel prices and extra labor to clean restrooms.
7. Next Meeting 07/12/2022, 9am at city hall.
8. Adjourned at 10:20