

# Minutes Public Works Committee August 22, 2016 at 8:00am

Present: Chairman Goldsmith, Bridger, Bents, Schullo

Absent: None

Also present: Lindfors, Kessler, Skinner, & Hardie

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Goldsmith at 8:00 am.

Motion was made by Bridger and seconded by Schullo, to approve the minutes from the August 2, 2016 Public Works meetings. Motion passed.

Public Comment: None

## Department Updates

Linfors: The Crew has been doing some cold mix patching, the crew has been hauling sand for the Waste Water demolition backfilling and will be installing a new culvert at the plant, setting up some ADA parking stalls downtown, installed new fans at the campground, Rutabaga prep and the part-time summer help will be leaving on August 30

Goin: Goin was out on sick leave, Hardie updated the committee on some of the happenings at the plant and also informed the committee that the DNR stated that we were out of compliance with the COMM portion requiring the businesses to have samplers and flow-meters. The committee asked that staff get started on this ASAP.

The committee considered the bids for the Lake Street sanitary and street project, the bidders were Haas Construction \$273,051.85, DeSantis Excavation \$224,072.00, Pember \$277,580.95, A-1 Excavation \$259,435.00

Motion was made by Bridger and seconded by Schullo, to recommend to the Council the accepting of the DeSantis bid of \$224,072. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Bridger and seconded by Schullo, to have the curb & gutter, sidewalk and second mat of blacktop work completed next spring if there would be a saving. The bids show a 40% increase over the prices earlier this spring. Motion passed.

The committee considered the safety apparel policy; the two department heads and Public Works Director presented their results of the apparel suggestions. The City's Workers Comp. provider and committee will review and address the policy next month.

The committee considered the Sidewalk Snow Removal and Grass Mowing Ordinance. The proposed policy was reviewed by Attorney Van Sickle. It was his recommendation to adopt language similar to New Richmond with the one notice preseason for grass and weed mowing and to keep the present 24 hour notice for snow and ice removal.

Motion was made by Bridger and seconded by Schullo, to recommend to the City Council the adoption of the new language for grass and weed mowing. Motion passed.

The committee considered the request for actuated valves and flowmeters at 4 locations at the Waste Water Treatment Plant. The cost per location would be approximately \$45,000 per location. Hardie suggested that the sites have the conduit run so each site is ready to have the equipment installed at a later date.

Motion was made by Bridger and seconded by Bents, to have the conduit run. Motion passed.

The committee considered the proposal to have the rodder pump replaced on the jet vac truck for the amount of \$10,835 with the fund to come from the Waste Water Treatment Plant's equipment fund.

Motion was made by Schullo and seconded by Bents, to recommend to the City Council the replacement of the rodder pump. Motion passed.

The committee considered Change Order #15 which consists of labor to repair and unclog the influent pumps for \$1,659. Repair a CLA valve \$2,223, add air release valves to the influent pumps, and the purchase of used laboratory cabinets for \$9,733.

Motion was made by Bridger and seconded by Schullo, to recommend to the Council the acceptance of Change Order #15 for the amount of \$15,232. Motion passed with Bents voting No

The next meeting date will be September 19, 2016 at 9am.  
Future agenda items will be apparel policy and 2017 budget.

Motion was made by Schullo and seconded by Bents, to adjourn at 9:37 a.m.

Submitted by  
Keith Hardie, PW Director