

CITY OF STEVENS POINT

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING

Monday, October 12, 2015
Lincoln Center – 1519 Water Street
Stevens Point, WI 54481

MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor Mike Wiza, Comptroller/Treasurer (C/T) Corey Ladick, Director of Public Works Scott Schatschneider and Dawn Klish; **Alderspersons:** Garrett Ryan(3rd), Heidi Oberstadt(4th), Mary Kneebone(7th) and Mary McComb(9th) .

EXCUSED: George Doxtator(1st).

ALSO PRESENT:

DIRECTORS: Michael Ostrowski – Community Development and Tom Schrader – Parks and Recreation.

ALDERPERSONS: Denise Mrozek(2nd), Brian Van Stippen(5th), Jeremy Slowinski(6th), Tony Patton(8th), and Mike Phillips(10th).

CITY STAFF MEMBERS: City Attorney Andrew Beveridge, Human Resources Manager Lisa Jakusz, Streets Superintendent Dennis Laidlaw, City Clerk John Moe and Interim Police Chief Martin Skibba.

OTHERS PRESENT: Nate Enwald – P.C. Gazette, Brandi Makuski – Stevens Point City Times, Bob Fisch – 1033 Smith Street, Barb Jacob – 1616 Depot Street, Tori Jennings – 1632 Ellis Street, Justin Johnson – 1224 Portage Street, Lindsey Kemnitz – 2035 Ellis Street, Neil Prendergast – 1924 Plover Street and Trevor Roark – 601 Washington Avenue.

Mayor Mike Wiza called the Board of Public Works meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. on October 12, 2015. The meeting was held at the Lincoln Center located at 1519 Water Street in Stevens Point.

Mayor Mike Wiza asked for a roll call.

All were present with the exception of Alderperson George Doxtator who was excused.

1. Consideration and possible action to accept the Directors Report and place it on file.

Director Schatschneider introduced Dawn Klish from the Streets Department, filling in as recording secretary in the absence of Tricia Church.

Neil Prendergast, 1924 Plover Street stated that he had a suggestion regarding the lane closure on the Clark Street Bridge and felt it was an appropriate time to gather

data regarding how that bridge operates with fewer lanes given some of the potential changes that could happen downtown for walkability and bike mobility.

Mayor Wiza clarified that there was a suggestion about adding a bike lane from the Emy J's Coffeehouse and Café' area all the way across the bridge to Mead Park and the bridge scour project is affording us the opportunity to see what affect the closure would have, even though it does not go the whole length of the project area. This is something we are currently looking at because the possibility exists of implementing a bike lane.

There were no other questions or comments regarding the Director's Report.

Aldersperson Ryan made a motion to accept the Director's Report and place it on file; seconded by Aldersperson Oberstadt.

Ayes all; nays none; motion carried.

2. To accept the Isadore Parking Ordinance Amendments in Sections 9.06.

Director Schatschneider said the map on page seven shows the three areas we are proposing to create no parking zones. This a result of Lot Y coming online. These no parking zones are adjacent to a driveway to Fire Station #1 and the driveway to Lot Y. This is just reinforcing that you cannot park there.

There were no questions or further comments regarding the Parking Ordinance Amendments.

Aldersperson Ryan moved to accept the Isadore Parking Ordinance Amendment; seconded by Aldersperson Kneebone.

Ayes all; nays none; motion carried.

3. Follow up discussion regarding the SEH Parking Management Plan and future RFP regarding multi-space parking meters.

Director Schatschneider referenced the memo on page eight and said he wanted to have a discussion among the council on this parking plan and to consider how we want to move forward. Director Ostrowski's attendance was acknowledged to help answer any questions. We thought a good first step was to briefly go over the plan again and see if there are any questions and possibly move forward next month with an RFP, the RFP would go out after council approval to kind of get a feel for what multi-space parking meters would cost and by getting the idea of what the meters would cost, it would also give us an idea on what we have to do to build an infrastructure to support these new meters. The RFP doesn't commit us to anything but the RFP will give us functional information about the meters because that is one of the critical aspects of this. It doesn't mean we can't have further discussion about anything in the plan. But, we want to keep this ball in the air, because sometimes

what happens is plans are done and they get put off to the side and we don't want to see that happen.

Mayor Wiza stated that one of the things that we want to do is to keep things moving, we are not committing to putting meters anywhere. All we would be doing is looking at what these space meters cost. If they are \$50,000 apiece and it is going to take another \$100,000 of resources on the city's side to maintain them and interface with them maybe that is not something we want to do yet. So, we are not looking at where we are going to put any of this stuff. We just want some ideas on how the council wants to move forward with any of these suggestions. One of the things that was standing out for me was making Isadore and Reserve one way streets between Fourth Avenue and Maria. That would give us the ability to put hundreds of additional parking spots on campus for students, taking that parking burden off some of the surrounding neighborhoods. That is something we can do relatively easy, a couple of ordinance changes and some paint and we are good to go. But the meters as the director stated are going to require a little more thought. I am looking for some feedback on what your thoughts are. Maybe someone from the audience has thoughts or ideas on the plan. Possibly some priorities, on what you think we might want to move forward with right away or what we want to wait and see on.

Bob Fisch, 1033 Smith Street said that this is regarding the possibility of Isadore and Reserve becoming one way streets, these of course are currently very heavily used bicycle streets. Being one way streets would make bicycle travel very awkward. So if you were considering putting in angle parking, I would ask that you put in some type of bike lane so that bicycle travel would still be two way on Reserve and Isadore even though they are one way streets for motor vehicles.

Alderpersion Ryan said he had a meeting at UWSP with a bunch of university officials about street safety. The one way street topic was brought up and shared by multiple people, there concern is if we don't put in a bike lane in conjunction with changing the streets to one way to create parking you are going to push that bike traffic on to those sidewalks which are already heavily traveled. I think doing those two things in conjunction with each other would be successful.

Alderpersion Ryan also said I think the kiosks around the university are a good idea. I think the study was well done. The number one idea of concern is that we already have a lot of homes that the entire backyard is paved and if we put kiosks in all of those areas without a plan and push more parking into backyards, we will see a huge increase in that and we should have a plan to deal with that ahead of time.

Mayor Wiza said students can legally park there now. But, it is something to think about. Staff will be putting together an RFP and we will be looking at this next month.

There were no further questions or comments regarding the follow up discussion on the SHE Parking Management Plan and future RFP regarding multi-space parking meters.

4. Discussion regarding proposed ordinance modifications to Chapter 7 Health and Sanitation, Section 7.06 Garbage Collection.

Director Schatschneider said the item here tonight is for discussion only. We have included the two existing ordinance areas that need to be updated, along with the suggested updates. The cities solid waste/recycling program has changed and grown over the years and since Superintendent Laidlaw and Dawn Klish are at the meeting tonight, it is the perfect opportunity to bring this forward. We are looking to have something permanently in place by January of 2016.

Aldersperson Oberstadt said it was pretty obvious the ordinance needs updating.

Superintendent Laidlaw said Dawn Klish put a tremendous amount of thought and effort into these updates and I think she did a terrific job.

Mayor Wiza agreed and said there will be time to review this and if you have questions please feel free to contact my office or the director's office.

There were no further questions or comments on the discussion of the proposed ordinance modification to Chapter 7 Health and Sanitation, Section 7.06 Garbage Collection.

5. Presentation of the City's winter road maintenance / snow and ice policy.

****Due to the length of the presentation, please visit our website to view the PowerPoint slides and follow along with the presentation.****

6. To approve the purchase of a salter / sander insert for an existing plow truck from Truck Equipment, Inc. in the amount of \$33,363.00.

Director Schatschneider referenced page 36 of this month's agenda and asked if anyone had any questions.

There were no further questions or comments about the purchase request of a salter / sander insert for an existing plow truck from Truck Equipment, Inc. in the amount of \$33,363.00.

Aldersperson McComb moved that we purchase a salter / sander insert for an existing plow truck from Truck Equipment, Inc. in the amount of \$33,363.00; seconded by Aldersperson Oberstadt.

Ayes all; nays none; motion carried.

7. ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Mike Wiza adjourned the October 12, 2015 Board of Public Works Meeting at 6:43 p.m.

**ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF STEVENS
POINT, WISCONSIN**

The Common Council of the City of Stevens Point do ordain as follows:

SECTION I: That subsection 151 of Section 9.05(j) of the Revised Municipal Code, **No Parking Here to Corner** is hereby **created** to read as follows:

9.05(j) 151. On the west side of Isadore Street from Portage Street to a point 16 feet north of Portage Street.

SECTION II: That subsection 315 of Section 9.05(g) of the Revised Municipal Code, **No Parking** is hereby **created** to read as follows:

9.05(g) 315. On the west side of Isadore Street from a point 58.5 feet north of Portage Street to a point 111 feet north of Portage Street.

SECTION III: That subsection 316 of Section 9.05(g) of the Revised Municipal Code, **No Parking** is hereby **created** to read as follows:

9.05(g) 316. On the west side of Isadore Street from a point 133 feet north of Portage Street to a point 184 feet north of Portage Street.

SECTION IX: These ordinance changes shall take effect upon passage and publication:

APPROVED: _____
Mike Wiza, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
John Moe, City Clerk

Dated: October 5, 2015
Approved: October 19, 2015
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