

# CITY OF STEVENS POINT

## BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING

Monday, July 10, 2017  
Lincoln Center – 1519 Water Street  
Stevens Point, WI 54481

## MINUTES

**PRESENT:** Chairperson Mayor Mike Wiza, Director of Public Works Scott Beduhn, Comptroller/Treasurer (C/T) Corey Ladick and Tricia Church; **Alderpersons:** Tori Jennings(1<sup>st</sup>), Heidi Oberstadt(4<sup>th</sup>), Jeremy Slowinski(6<sup>th</sup>), Mary Kneebone(7<sup>th</sup>) and Shaun Morrow(11<sup>th</sup>).

### **ALSO PRESENT:**

**DIRECTORS:** Joel Lemke – Public Utilities and Transportation, Tom Schrader – Parks and Recreation and Michael Ostrowski – Inspection and Development.

**OTHER CITY STAFF MEMBERS:** City Attorney Andrew Beveridge, Personnel Specialist Lisa Jakusz, City Clerk John Moe, Fire Chief Bob Finn, Police Chief Martin Skibba.

**ALDERPERSONS:** David Shorr(2<sup>nd</sup>), Cindy Nebel(3<sup>rd</sup>), Meleesa Johnson(5<sup>th</sup>), Cathy Dugan(8<sup>th</sup>), Mary McComb(9<sup>th</sup>) and Mike Phillips(10<sup>th</sup>).

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Nate Enwald - Portage County Gazette, Cassandra DeWitt – 3232 West River Drive.

**Mayor Mike Wiza called the Board of Public Works meeting to order at 8:20 p.m. The meeting was held on Monday, July 10, 2017 at the Lincoln Center located at 1519 Water Street in Stevens Point.**

### **1. Consideration and possible action to accept the Director's Report and place it on file.**

Director Beduhn had nothing to add to his report but was available to answer questions.

*Aldersperson Oberstadt moved approval of the Director's Report; seconded by Aldersperson Morrow.*

Aldersperson Kneebone requested to have a discussion at the council level either through Finance or Public Works regarding the distribution of revenue from the parking kiosks. C/T Ladick said the revenue will be put in the General Fund for revenue and not specifically allocated for a specific purpose; however, it is meant to offset the maintenance needed on the city streets.

Mayor Wiza asked C/T Ladick if he could add it to the Finance Agenda sometime before the budget process. C/T Ladick responded that we could; however, he reminded that this is our first year so we will need to see what the revenue is actually going to be.

*Ayes all; nays none; motion carried.*

**2. Consideration and possible action to approve the list for the 2017-18 Sidewalk Repair/Replacement Orders.**

Director Beduhn explained the process that we use for keeping up with our city sidewalks.

Aldersperson Morrow asked what the cost is. Mayor Wiza stated that we have to bid it in order to get the price. He added that it is usually cheaper if you let the city do it unless you specifically know someone or do the work yourself.

C/T Ladick mentioned that any sidewalk throughout the city that was damaged during the storm due to city owned trees will be replaced at no cost to property owners.

*Aldersperson Slowinski moved; seconded by Aldersperson Morrow to approve the list for the 2017-18 Sidewalk Repair/Replacement Orders.*

*Ayes all; nays none; motion carried.*

**3. Consideration and possible action to award the 2017 Swale Reconstruction and Shouldering Project #17-11 to Stuczynski Trucking & Excavating, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$144,162.85.**

Director Beduhn added that the Water and Sewerage Commission approved this contract earlier today.

*Aldersperson Oberstadt moved to approve the 2017 Swale Reconstruction and Shouldering Project #17-11 to Stuczynski Trucking & Excavating, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$144,162.85; seconded by Aldersperson Jennings.*

*Ayes all; nays none with Aldersperson Slowinski abstained from vote; motion carried.*

**4. Consideration and possible action to approve the Ordinance Amendment for Loading Zone on Strongs Avenue and Ordinance Repeals on Joerns Drive and Hoover Road due to the Hoover Road Grade Separation Project.**

Director Beduhn explained that it was brought to our attention that the wording in our ordinance for the loading zone on Strongs Avenue does not match the signage that is currently there. This Ordinance Amendment would bring us to match what is currently there. Director Beduhn further explained that the ordinance repeals are due to signage that is no longer needed after the Hoover Road Grade Separation Project is complete.

*Aldersperson Slowinski moved approval of the Ordinance Amendment and Repeals; seconded by Aldersperson Oberstadt.*

**5. Consideration and possible action to approve the AECOM Proposal for the design improvements relating to the intersection of North Point Drive and Division Street.**

Director Beduhn explained the proposal that is presented from AECOM for design improvements to the intersections of North Point Drive and Division Street as well as North Point Drive and Prentice Street.

Aldersperson Jennings stated she was going to make a motion but did not realize the Prentice Street intersection was also included.

*Aldersperson Jennings made a motion to approve the AECOM Proposal for the design improvements relating to the intersection of North Point Drive and Division Street; however, she would like to pull items J and Q for further discussion.*

Mayor Wiza stated that because they are related to the scope of work, he suggested having the discussions first and then making the motion to approve the design concept.

Aldersperson Jennings replied for the discussion relating to item J for the public involvement meetings. She feels that the city should be more involved in the public meetings and that AECOM should not be running them. She would like to see the conversations to the public be given by city staff rather than AECOM Engineers given their track record.

Aldersperson Slowinski stated that he assumes that at least Directors Beduhn and Lemke will be at those meetings along with AECOM.

Mayor Wiza asked Aldersperson Jennings if she is just hoping that the discussions go better than the Division Street meetings. Aldersperson Jennings replied that she knows they can go better if the delivery is better.

Aldersperson Jennings then started discussion relating to item Q for a pedestrian bridge. She likes the concept and feels they can be great architectural features; however, she does not feel the city should be paying for it given budget constraints. She feels that a well-designed road should accommodate all road users.

*Aldersperson Jennings made the motion to approve the AECOM Proposal with the removal of the pedestrian bridge.*

Aldersperson Oberstadt asked for clarification in that by approving this proposal, it does not mean that we are approving the expenditure of a pedestrian bridge. Mayor Wiza responded that this proposal is all "if authorized". He stated it would only get authorized if at some point in the future we choose to do it. This is only exploring the option as an opportunity, not committing to it.

Aldersperson Morrow feels we should keep it in the proposal as an available option in case someone does choose to fund it.

*Aldersperson Jennings moved to approve the AECOM Proposal for the design improvements relating to the intersection of North Point Drive and Division Street with the pedestrian bridge as an option; seconded by Aldersperson Slowinski.*

Director Ostrowski added that within the proposal, they identify two different intersections. If things are to change where a different mechanism is proposed for North Point Drive and Prentice Street, it may change the proposal cost and will have to come back before this body for approval.

*Ayes all; nays none; motion carried.*

6. **ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Mike Wiza adjourned the July 10, 2017 Board of Public Works Meeting at 8:42 p.m.