

City of Stevens Point Meeting Minutes

Board of Public Works

Monday, August 10, 2009, 6:30 p.m.

Lincoln Center, 1519 Water St.

Present: Mayor Andrew Halverson, C/T John Schlice, Interim Director Alex Saunders and Tricia Church; Alderpersons: Tom Mallison(1), Hans Walther(2), Michael O'Meara(3), Roger Trzebiatowski(7), and Brian Brooks(10).

Also Present: Directors: Tom Schrader, Kim Halverson and John Gardner; City Attorney Louis Molepske, City Clerk John Moe, Police Chief Kevin Ruder, Police Department Jeff Morris, City Assessor Jim Siebers; Airport Manager Joe Wheeler, Gene Kemmeter - PC Gazette, Bob Woehr, Pete Shuda, Sharon Mras, Scott Gile, Nicole Breyhan.

Alderpersons: Jeremy Slowinski(6), Marge Molski(8), and Randy Stroik(9).

Mayor Halverson called the meeting of the Board of Public Works to order on August 10, 2009 at 6:03 PM. The meeting was held at The Lincoln Center Conference Room, 1519 Water Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481.

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 6. Adjournment
1. Parking Meter Report for June, 2009
 - A) Meter/Permit Collection
 - B) Permits

There was no discussion regarding the July, 2009 Parking Meter Report.

C/T Schlice moved, seconded by Alderperson Brooks to accept the July, 2009 Parking Meter Report and place it on file.

Ayes all; nays none; motion carried.

2. Consideration/Action to award the 2009 Municipal Electrical and HVAC Project #18-09 to Disher Electric out of Rosholt, WI in the amount of \$99,170.00 Final Bid Tab

Interim Director Saunders explained that this project is to get emergency generator upgrades that we need at the Streets Department and Fire Station #1 as well as upgrading some very outdated boilers at Fire Station #1. This project is coming out of the existing budget along with borrowing that was previously approved. He also added the lowest bid came in under budget.

Alderperson Trzebiatowski moved, seconded by Alderperson Brooks to approve awarding the 2009 Municipal Electrical and HVAC Project #18-09 to Disher Electric out of Rosholt, WI in the amount of \$99,170.00.

Alderperson Wiza questioned if we looked at more efficient alternatives to the boilers. Interim Director Saunders answered that the boilers that are in the contract are condensing boilers that qualifies us for Focus on Energy Grants and the application for the grant is also part of the contract. He also added contractors were allowed to bid alternate boilers if they provided efficiencies qualifying for the grant.

Alderperson Wiza questioned the differences in the quotes, not quite but almost double in cost between the lowest and the highest bidders. Interim Director Saunders answered that the bids were straight forward but there were a few bidders that were more familiar with working with the City and the buildings themselves and those were the ones we received the better prices from.

Alderperson Wiza said he is glad that the winning bidder is a local company.

Ayes all; nays none; motion carried.

3. Consideration/Action to award the Well #11 Project #19-09 for the Water Department to Ranney Collector Wells out of Columbus, OH in the amount of \$2,337,350.00 Bid Recommendation

Alderperson Brooks questioned the letter where it states that Ranney is the only American-based company that constructs horizontal collector wells. Director Halverson took the podium to explain the project in more detail. She explained there are vertical and horizontal wells and we are able to do a horizontal well due to our geological area. The big difference is the amount of water that can be pumped out of the ground. This well will have a 19 foot concrete case and it will be 100 feet deep. From the bottom of that, they drill out horizontally 8 lateral screens that are each about 150 feet long. This gives a larger screen area to collect the water from versus one vertical well with a 30 foot well screen that can't pump as much water. We would have built a lot of vertical wells to equal one horizontal well so it is much more economical to go this way.

Alderperson Stroik questioned if our current wells are vertical or horizontal. Director Halverson said we have one other horizontal collector well that Ranney built (well number 10) that has four laterals. All the others we have are vertical wells that were built in the 60's.

Mayor Halverson moved, seconded by Alderperson Walther to award the Well #11 Project #19-09 to Ranney Collector Wells out of Columbus, OH in the amount of \$2,337,350.00 pending an award from the Wisconsin Department of Commerce.

Ayes all; nays none; motion carried.

4. Airport Manager's Report

Mayor Halverson highlighted the letter that was included in the packets from Shining Mountains LLC that illustrates the jobs that Joe and Loren are doing out at the airport.

There were no questions or discussion regarding the Airport Manager's Report.

C/T Schlice moved, seconded by Mayor Halverson accept the Airport Manager's Report and place it on file.

Ayes all; nays none; motion carried.

5. Director's Report

A) Engineering

B) Streets

Interim Director Saunders added that we are working on putting together a request for proposals for a grade separation feasibility study at the Country Club Drive location that we received a Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) grant through Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009. We are developing it in-house and then it will go through WisDOT and WisDOT's local program consultants similar to how the Minnesota Avenue Project was done through American Reinvestment and Recovery Act.

Alderson Brooks asked if we have a time line when the Minnesota Avenue Project will take place. Interim Director said the project has a December 1, 2009 engineering plan set date with WisDOT so it will not happen this year. It will be late spring early summer before it will be done.

Alderson Wiza questioned the schedule for the project on Patch Street. Interim Director explained that we will have an updated schedule on our web-site. The contractor is running behind due to some delays that took place on a previous project. They are going to be bringing forward a few extra efforts to get caught up.

Alderson Wiza questioned the road closure through this week instead of only a couple days as previously scheduled. Interim Director explained an issue with the location of the sanitary sewer and water main that resulted in needing to open up a larger portion of the roadway to complete the work to be in accordance with state requirements. They are trying to incorporate that with the originally scheduled two day closure if they can to get it done. It was not foreseen at the time the original schedule went out.

Alderson Wiza said he received some complaints about construction trucks exceeding the speed limit in excess on North Point Drive. Interim Director Saunders said we would look into it, but it does not sound like it is our trucks, we do not have any projects on that side of town.

Alderson Stroik said he is happy about the ordering of signs for the quiet zone and questioned if that is the last step in the process. Interim Director said we have to do another notification to the federal railroad and residents.

Alderson Walther moved, seconded by Alderson O'Meara to accept the Director's Report and place it on file.

Ayes all; nays none; motion carried.

6. ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Halverson adjourned the August 10, 2009 Board of Public Works meeting at 6:23 P.M.

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