

Meeting Minutes

CITY OF STEVENS POINT

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2000 - 6:55 P.M. PRESENT: Mayor Wescott, C/T Schlice; Alderpersons Barr, Kedrowski, Molski, Nealis, Walther

ALSO PRESENT: Design Engineer Yauch, Clerk Zdroik, Fleet Maintenance Supervisor Schiefelbein, Director Schrader, Director Gardner, Assessor Kuehn, Attorney Molepske, Mayoral Assistant Marciniak, Captain Daubert, Administrator Disher, Peggy Rentz, Gerry McKenna, Carl Rasmussen, Reid Rocheleau, Scott Krueger, Gene Kemmeter; Alderpersons Moore, Pazdernik, Phillips, Rackow, Seiser, Sevenich

1. PARKING METER REPORT (ATTACHMENT- AGENDA PACKET)

Mayor Wescott presented the September 2000 Parking Meter Report.

C/T Schlice moved, seconded by Alderperson Walther to accept the September 2000 Parking Meter Report and place it on file.

Ayes - all; Nays - none; Motion carried.

2. CONSIDERATION OF BIDS #21-00 - 2000 ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT (ATTACHMENT)

Design Engineer Yauch said the low bid was from Wayne Nasi Construction of Hurley in the amount of \$64,185.00 and he recommended approval. The roofs being replaced this year are at the fire station, airport terminal building, and the Bukolt Park bath house.

Alderperson Walther moved, seconded by Alderperson Kedrowski to accept the low bid from Wayne Nasi Construction of Hurley Wisconsin in the amount of \$64,185.00 for Project #21-00.

Ayes - all; Nays - none; Motion carried.

3. TRAFFIC STUDIES: (ATTACHMENT-AGENDA PACKET)

A. # 00-09-A - INSTALL STOP SIGNS NORTH ON OLYMPIA AVENUE AT NICOLET AVENUE AND WEST ON NICOLET AVENUE AT OLYMPIA AVENUE.

B. #00-09-B - INSTALL STOP SIGNS NORTH ON LAMPMAN DRIVE AT HERITAGE DRIVE AND SOUTH ON LAMPMAN DRIVE AT HEFFRON STREET.

C. #00-09-C - INSTALL STOP SIGNS EASTBOUND ON NICOLET AVENUE AT HOOVER ROAD AND EASTBOUND ON GLACIER DRIVE AT HOOVER ROAD.

D. #00-09-D - CREATE "NO PARKING" ZONES ON BOTH THE NORTH AND SOUTH SIDE OF PATCH STREET FROM MICHIGAN AVENUE TO A POINT 115 FEET WEST.

E. #00-09-E - CREATE A "NO PARKING" ZONE ON THE NORTH SIDE OF FOURTH AVENUE BETWEEN ILLINOIS AVENUE AND FREMONT STREET.

F. #00-09-F - INSTALL STOP SIGNS ON HAWK LANE AT SANDPIPER DRIVE AND KINGFISHER DRIVE AND ON OWL LANE AT SANDPIPER DRIVE AND KINGFISHER DRIVE.

G. #00-09-G - ESTABLISH A "NO PASSING" ZONE ON WATER STREET FROM 100 FEET NORTH OF PARK STREET TO 100 FEET SOUTH OF MASON STREET.

Mayor Wescott suggested one motion to cover all traffic studies and said that some have already been implemented through Mayoral Orders.

Discussion took place on Traffic Study #00-09-G regarding the necessity of extending the "no passing" to the south. Captain Daubert said they had received several complaints and Alderperson Phillips said he has seen some gridlocks there and agreed with the traffic study.

Alderperson Barr moved, seconded by C/T Schlice to approve Traffic Studies 3A through 3G as listed.

Ayes - all; Nays - none; Motion carried.

4. REQUEST FOR TWO DRIVEWAYS ON ONE LOT - 700 WALKER STREET (ATTACHMENT-AGENDA PACKET)

Design Engineer Yauch said the recommendation was for approval if all he wants is a curb cut.

Alderperson Seiser asked who pays for this and expressed concern that it might be too close to the intersection.

The Mayor said the homeowner pays and Design Engineer Yauch said the diagram indicates the requested curb cut is further away from the intersection than the existing driveway.

Alderperson Molski moved, seconded by Alderperson Nealis to approve the request for two driveways on one lot at 700 Walker Street.

Ayes - all; Nays - none; Motion carried.

5. REQUEST TO AMEND CURRENT FORESTRY ORDINANCE (ATTACHMENT-AGENDA PACKET)

Mayor Wescott said last month the Common Council had adopted a Forestry Ordinance and that this item covers changes that have been proposed by Alderperson Kedrowski.

Alderperson Kedrowski said the Parks Commission took the items one at a time and he referred to the first item under 11.08(5)(a)(3) saying item 3 (the first paragraph) had been withdrawn.

He went on under that same division 11.08(5)(a)(3), item 5 (the second paragraph) saying Chinese Elm should be replaced with Siberian Elm and that this item had been approved at Parks.

The next item for discussion would be item 11.11(2), excluding the very last paragraph. He said the Parks Commission felt this didn't belong here but should be under Public Works. The Mayor said he understood this to mean if a conflict arose between the Forester and the Director of Public

Works that exceeded \$5,000 it should come back to the Board of Public Works for approval and Alderperson Kedrowski said that was correct.

A discussion took place and Attorney Molepske said this would be a problem if a conflict occurred where a regular Board of Public Works meeting **would not be held for several weeks, he didn't think we would save a tree at the cost of holding up construction.**

Design Engineer Yauch agreed saying if we couldn't resolve it immediately we would have a contractor sitting there.

The Mayor asked if the types of examples Alderperson Kedrowski listed occurred often?

Design Engineer Yauch said we know where the trees are when we topo and he doesn't see this happening. He said we might endanger a tree only when we are working with old laterals that cannot be located.

Mayor Wescott said he just couldn't see the engineers designing a project where these examples would come up. Alderperson Kedrowski said he would withdraw that recommendation.

His final suggestion was the very last paragraph of 11.11(2). He said he thought property owners should be clearly aware that if we are angling their lateral they know why and we should have something for them to sign. He felt potential sewer problems would make a tree less important.

Discussion followed regarding who pays and Alderperson Kedrowski said if it is past the normal hook up distance to save a tree, it should be the **responsibility of the City.** Director Schrader said we don't go on private property without the owners permission. C/T Schlice said it isn't always easy to reach a property owner, we might add that we will make a reasonable attempt. Alderperson Nealis suggested we not use a stark legal form, instead use one that is more subtle.

Mayor Wescott asked how many times this has happened in the past.

Design Engineer Yauch said he can think of one that occurred this construction season on Clark Street at Rogers Street.

Additional discussion took place and Alderperson Moore said these people have to know they have a choice. Also discussed was that we cannot **go on private property.** Attorney Molepske said we have the right to maintain the sewer even if we can't reach the property owner but this would usually be only inches or at the most a few feet. He said tearing up a lawn is another issue.

The Mayor asked if a property owner doesn't agree then what? The consensus was that the tree would go.

The Mayor asked if this portion is passed that Attorney Molepske and Alderperson Kedrowski work together on the language.

Alderperson Kedrowski and Attorney Molepske agreed to do so.

Alderperson Nealis moved, seconded by Alderperson Walther to approve the second paragraph of the proposed changes to reflect "Siberian Elm" instead of "Chinese Elm" and to approve the last paragraph of the proposed changes with Attorney Molepske working with Alderperson Kedrowski on the language.

Ayes - all; Nays - none; Motion carried.

Alderperson Seiser said she wished to comment that saving trees is a priority in Stevens Point and the Mayor agreed saying this is consistent with **the effort to preserve and protect the City's trees.**

#### 6. VACATION OF FRANKLIN STREET BETWEEN ISADORE STREET AND RESERVE STREET (ATTACHMENT-AGENDA PACKET)

Mayor Wescott said this is in connection with the Fine Arts Building, that both Police and Fire and Plan Commission have approved this and it is before the Board to support and endorse the same.

Discussion followed regarding utilities in the right of way and bedrock. The utilities that are presently in the right of way benefit only the university and the vacation of this street would make them the responsibility of the university. The bedrock appears to be intermittent and at different depths and Director Gardner reported that Director Van Alstine said we have no knowledge of where the bedrock is and that he would recommend going with the test borings and on site tests.

Alderperson Barr moved, seconded by Alderperson Walther to approve the vacation of Franklin Street between Isadore Street and Reserve Street.

Ayes - all; Nays - none; Motion carried.

#### 7. SUPERINTENDENT OF SERVICES (ATTACHMENT-AGENDA PACKET)

Fleet Maintenance Supervisor Schiefelbein presented the September Superintendent of Services Report and said he would try to answer any questions.

Alderperson Kedrowski asked about the storm sewer at Bukolt Park.

Fleet Maintenance Supervisor Schiefelbein said it is being installed because the rain runoff from the municipal garage and parking lot had caused a mud pit and this should take care of the problem.

C/T Schlice moved, seconded by Alderperson Molski to accept the September 2000 Superintendent of Services Report and place it on file.

Ayes - all; Nays - none; Motion carried.

#### 8. DIRECTOR S REPORT (ATTACHMENT-AGENDA PACKET)

Design Engineer Yauch presented the Director's Report for September 2000.

**Questions on the Director s Report included:**

- a) If the Michigan Avenue underpass would be completed in October?
- b) When the Church Street crosswalk lights would be operational?
- c) What is the status of the South Side Business District design?
- d) That the railroad promised the proposed gates would be in by the end of October but there has not yet been any activity.

Design Engineer Yauch answered these questions and concerns saying:

- a) he understands they will grind the top of the concrete on the Michigan Avenue underpass and place new concrete on top and as far as he knows that is scheduled for October.
- b) that he hopes the equipment for the Church Street crosswalk is being shipped as we speak and that he expects to have the crosswalk lights operational a week after we receive the equipment.
- c) **He hasn t been involved in the South Side Business project meetings enough to give them much information, that we have been working different alignments etc., for at least 16 years. Greg Disher said he understands there is a meeting scheduled for October 24th.**
- d) **He said he hadn t been in on any of these railroad meetings or conversations and he couldn t answer that. Mayor Wescott said we will check out.**

**C/T Schlice moved, seconded by Mayor Wescott to accept the September 2000 Director s Report and place it on file.**

Ayes - all; Nays - none; Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

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