



UTILITES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

March 23, 2023 at 8:30 AM
Village Hall, Community Room 1
8811 Campus Drive, Mount Pleasant, WI 53406

Staff Present: Director of Public Works|Village Engineer Tony Beyer, Deputy Director of Public Works Linsey Weber, Public Works Superintendent Robert Bowers, Engineering Technician Theresa Alvarez & Executive Assistant – Public Works Whitney Hanson.

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Taivalkoski called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM.

B. ROLL CALL

Executive Assistant Hanson performed the roll call. Trustee Anastasio, Trustee Washburn, Chairperson Taivalkoski and Commissioner Pucely were present. Commissioner Kryger was excused.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

J. Auer at 6222 Kinzie Ave. and G. Treffert at 6230 Kinzie Ave. would like to see the Kinzie Ave water main extension approved.

A. Contreras at 2721 Cozy Acres Rd. expressed frustration and concerns regarding the severe sewer back up issues at her property for the entire time the home was owned. Photos were provided to the commission from the damage of the most recent back up in February. She would like an updated on the progress of the Cozy Acres project.

D. MEETING MINUTES

1. Meeting of February 23, 2023

Motion by Trustee Washburn to approve the minutes of February 23, 2023 as presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner Pucely. On voice vote, motion carried.

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. Sanitary Sewer Utility

a. None

2. Storm Water Utility

a. None

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Sanitary Sewer Utility

a. Discussion & Possible Action – Proposal for Sanitary Sewer Manhole Grouting and Sanitary Sewer Mainline Repairs for the 2023 Paving Program

Deputy Director Weber discussed the two quotes from The Expeditors for repairs and manhole grouting. All televising has been reviewed by staff. Motion by Trustee Washburn to approve the proposal from The Expeditors for the not-to-exceed amount of \$19,675.00. Motion seconded by Commissioner Pucely. On a voice vote, motion carried.

b. Discussion & Possible Action – Approval of 2023 Interceptor Transmission Rates to City

The commission was provided with the 2023 interceptor transmission rates to the city. Director Beyer stated that these rates are recalculated on a yearly basis based on previous O&M expenses to bill the city quarterly. Motion by Trustee Anastasio to approve the new transmission rate of \$243.39. Motion seconded by Trustee Washburn. On a voice vote, motion carried.

c. Discussion & Possible Action – Purchase of New Sewer Utility Vehicle

Superintendent Bowers informed the commission that staff was able to locate a new vehicle for the sewer utility that was in budget. Motion by Trustee Washburn to approve the purchase of a 2023 Chevy Silverado 1500 pickup truck for the amount of \$24,225.50. Motion seconded by Commissioner Pucely. On a voice vote, motion carried.

2. Storm Water Drainage Utility

a. Discussion & Possible Action – Options for Addressing a Surface Drainage and Icing Problem at Carnation Court

Deputy Director Weber informed the commission that staff received a municipal complaint regarding excessive icing issues on Carnation Court. Staff met with the resident onsite in November and December due to the street being flooded. It was determined that there was no storm sewer inlet on site and sump discharge was not causing the issues with drainage. Generally drainage issues are addressed during the paving program but this subdivision is not scheduled to be repaved for several years. Motion by Trustee Washburn to approve that the DPW make a private tile connection from 6459 Carnation Court to village storm sewer once permit has been issued. Motion seconded by Trustee Anastasio. On a voice vote, motion carried.

b. Discussion & Possible Action – Proposal for the 2023 Implementation of the Pike River Corridor Maintenance Plan from Thompson & Associates

This item was taken after item F.1.a. A. Thompson and A. Menke provided the Commission with a presentation of the highlights for 2022. The goals for 2023 will be planting trees provided by the WDNR, re-seeding native pollinator plants, continuing the control of invasive plants and monitoring the beaver culvert pipes and adjusting as needed. Motion by Trustee Anastasio to approve the proposals from Thompson & Associates for Phases 1 to 7 and Phases 8 and 9 as presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner Pucely. On a voice vote, motion carried.

3. Water Utility

a. Discussion & Possible Action – Developer’s Agreement with Racine Water Utility - Kinzie Ave. Reconstruction Water Main Extension

This item was taken after public comment. The design of Kinzie Ave. is nearing completion and residents in the area were surveyed to see if there is interest in municipal water when it becomes available. If over 51% of residents would like the hook up then the water is run and the property owners are assessed. This is a small stretch of roadway between streets where water is already available and staff feels like the connection should be made. The village would pay to install the water and would set up a connection charge schedule for the residents who would like to connect. This length of road is being reconstructed and it would be an opportune time to install the water main. Motion by Trustee Anastasio to recommend that the Mount Pleasant Village Board approve the Developer’s Agreement with the Racine Water Utility as presented. Motion seconded by Trustee Washburn. On a voice vote, motion carried.

G. STAFF REPORTS

1. Tony Beyer, Director of Public Works | Village Engineer

a. Chicory Rd. Sewer Improvements – Project Status Update

This project has been bid out and came in well below the engineers’ estimate. A pre-con meeting will need to be held before the project is scheduled.

b. Cozy Acre Sanitary Sewer Study – Project Status Update

This item was taken after item F.2.b. The design is essentially complete and staff is working with CNH on the easement documents that have been drafted and are waiting to be signed. This project will then be bid out and will be completed this year. The first step will be to upsize the village sewer from Cozy Acre to the Pike River which will hopefully eliminate a significant portion of the problem. Staff would then complete main line lining and then look to private laterals. After the paperwork has been signed by CNH the project will be put out to bid with completion projected for summer/fall 2023.

2. Linsey Weber, Deputy Director of Public Works

a. 2023 Paving Program – Project Status Update

The advertisements will be put out for the Paving Program and Kinzie Ave. road reconstruction. The bids will be available from March 30th to April 6th.

3. Robert Bowers, Public Works Superintendent

a. Howe Street Meter – Project Status Update

The meter is expected to arrive the first week of April and the panel should be arriving by the end of May. We Energies is working on the design and once complete the cost will be provided. A portion of the project will be completed in-house by the DPW.

b. KR Lift Station – Demolition & Replacement

The footings and foundation have been poured. The building is scheduled to arrive around April 3rd and then the inside piping will be completed. The demo of the existing KR station is expected to happen in late July.

H. ADJOURN

Chairperson Taivalkoski adjourned the meeting at 10:00 AM.