

Minutes
Public Works Committee
January 27, 2015

The January 27, 2015 meeting of the Public Works Committee was called to order by Chairman Roy Beyer at 5:30 pm at the Algoma Wastewater Treatment Facility.

Roll Call:

Members present: Roy Beyer, Jan Dart, Kelly Koss, Dave Meyer, Hans Nell, and Lee Dachelet

Members absent:

Others present: Mike Decur, Troy Seidl, Jeff Hoffman, Pete Haack

Chairman Beyer noted that the meeting was held in compliance with the open meeting law.

Moved by Meyer, seconded by Nell to approve the agenda. The motion carried.

Moved by Koss, seconded by Dachelet to approve the December 23, 2014 Meeting Minutes.

Public Comment: None

Approval of Bills: Public Works Director Mike Decur presented the monthly bills.
Moved by Koss, seconded by Meyer to approve the bills. The motion carried.

United Water Report

Troy Seidl of United Water presented his report on the WWTF. Highlights included:

- Thickened sludge pump 2 was not functioning properly and was taken out of service and disassembled for assessment. Repair parts have been ordered but may not arrive until February or March. It is estimated that the cost of repair parts will be in excess of \$8000.
- As assessment of filter media was conducted by United Water staff. Engineering records indicate the depth of media at start up to be 30" in each of the four cells. Current measurements indicate media depths ranging from 17" to as little as 9".
- Bay Electric Systems installed overload switches on both digester gas mixing compressors. It is hoped that the overloads will be able to prevent shearing of motor shafts as has occurred in the past.
- Pipe vibration in the lower level of the Headworks building has been minimized. When Thickened sludge pump 1 is running, the associated piping was moving and causing other piping to move too. Pipe hangers have been adjusted and blocks were added that minimize the movement of the piping.

Public Works Director's Report

Public Works Director Mike Decur presented his report.

- Major work activities during the past month have included:
 - Continuation of winter street maintenance operations
 - Equipment maintenance and repairs
 - Removal of Christmas decorations
 - Finalizing application to acquire Algoma Pierhead Light
- Completed the hiring process for the new Public Works Serviceman - Casey Groessl to begin work on Monday, February 2
- Preparing bid documents and bid ad for Sunset Ave. Reconstruction (LRIP)
- Working with Strand Associates to complete the WWTF CMOM Assessment and Facilities Plan

Old Business

Facilities Plan/CMOM Update: The Facilities Plan was discussed by the Committee.

Moved by Dart, seconded by Dachelet to recommend to the Personnel/Finance Committee that we proceed as soon as possible with an application of a Clean Water loan for the required first phase of the necessary upgrades as presented by the Strand Corporation. The motion carried.

New Business

Sewer Credit Requests

- a. 805 4th St. \$ 113.30
- b. 237 Mill St. \$ 765.50

The credit requests were discussed.

Moved by Koss, seconded by Dart to approve the sewer credit request for 805 4th St. and give a credit of \$ 302.50 for 237 Mill St. The motion carried.

The **Next Meeting** of the Public Works Committee will be on February 24, 2015 at 5:30 pm at City Hall.

Adjournment:

Moved by Dachelet, seconded by Nell to adjourn. The motion carried.

The Public Works Committee adjourned at 6:31 pm. Following the adjournment members of the Committee were given a tour of the Treatment Facility.