

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS
Wednesday, March 16th, 2016
Government Center Room 204

Members Present: Bob Finsland, Mike Herrick

Excused: Tom Fennessey, Esther Dalbec (alt)

Also Present: Todd Janigo, Chris Carlson, Steve Roberts, John Kiel, Angie Harker

Bob Finsland called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

Approval of February 24th, 2016, minutes.

MOTION by Herrick, seconded by Finsland, and carried to approve the Public Works Committee minutes of February 24th, 2016.

1. Held in committee from 02/24/16: Councilor D. Dalbec requesting installation of pedestrian lighting along Wyoming Avenue between Wellington and North 28th Streets. Public Works Director Janigo presented a sketch and a cost estimate on pedestrian lighting that he received from SEH. Councilor D. Dalbec was not present at the meeting therefore the information will be mailed to him.

MOTION by Herrick, seconded by Finsland, and carried to hold in committee Councilor D. Dalbec's request for installation of pedestrian lighting along Wyoming Avenue between Wellington and North 28th Streets.

2. Held in committee from 02/24/16: Councilor Bender requesting revision of Chapter 58 – Garbage and Trash, to revise the pricing for small and large residential premises. Bender contacted the Public Works Department and asked that this item be held in committee until such time that more data is available.

MOTION by Herrick, seconded by Finsland, and carried to hold in committee Councilor Bender's request to revise Chapter 58 – Garbage and Trash, revising pricing for small and large residential premises.

3. Janigo recommendation to purchase one 2016 Falcon 4-ton tandem axle pothole patch trailer, under Minnesota contract price of \$36,678.00
Janigo explained the versatility of this unit and the need to replace the 18 year old patch truck that we currently own.

MOTION by Herrick, seconded by Finsland, and carried to approve the purchase of one 2016 Falcon 4-ton tandem axle pothole patch trailer, under Minnesota contract price of \$36,678.00

4. ESD Director's Report. Director Roberts reported on the following:

- 1) Treatment Operations
 - a) February 88 MG treated; zero effluent violations (260 days and counting);
 - b) Currently taking flow at a rate of more than 10 million gallons per day through the main wastewater treatment plant and running all 3 combined sewer treatment facilities (Billings Park, South Superior, and adjacent to the main wastewater treatment plant)
- 2) Collection System Operations
 - a) Lift Station 11 (near 11 Bridgeview Drive) force main ruptured on February 2nd. The DNR was notified, fortunately the sewage flowed over a concrete slab back into the lift station without contacting land surface or a Water of the State and did not meet the criteria to be considered an SSO. The lift station was taken out of service and sewage was hauled by Young Plumbing until a repair could be made. The repair was completed on February 4th by Badger Excavation for \$8,700.
 - b) The record breaking streak of consecutive days without an SSO ended at 573 days, breaking the previous record of 353 days. Currently a single SSO is occurring at Lift Station 5 (near Newton Creek). Please note that bids were opened on Friday 3/11 for a project to replace the force main at that lift station with a larger pipe with greater capacity. That improvement, in combination with capacity improvements at the headworks of the treatment facility the upcoming main plant pump replacement project, are expected to reduce the likelihood, frequency, and potential volume of overflows.
 - c) Steaming of culverts and inlets began last week and is ongoing
- 3) Several wastewater permit required semi-annual reports and submittals due 3/31 or 4/1; including: Capacity Management Operation & Maintenance semi-annual report for the collection system, Combined Sewer Overflow Long Term Control Plan semi-annual report, Asset Management Plan, Final Compliance Alternative Plan (for phosphorus), and a Pretreatment Report (including Industrial User Compliance Evaluation and Violation Report(s))

MOTION by Herrick, seconded by Finsland, and carried to receive and file the ESD Director's report.

5. Public Works Director's Report

Janigo indicated that we are in the process of closing out the 2015 sidewalk program. Change orders were added for additional sidewalk work in South Superior and concrete repair work on Tower Avenue. We are going to extend the contract through 2016 for additional sidewalks and repair work on Tower Avenue.

The committee was informed that the city will be ceasing to offer dumpster service. This service has been provided to both UW-Superior and the Superior Housing Authority. Janigo has been in contact with both organizations therefore they are aware of this. The city will see a cost savings with this change. City departments that use dumpsters, (i.e. the fire hall, library, etc.) will need to determine if they can get by with cans or contract with private garbage haulers if they feel they will continue to need a dumpster.

The facility condition assessment being completed at the Municipal Services Building has brought forth the issue of lift inspections. We have in ground hoists that will be professionally inspected and because of the age of the hoists, it is possible that upgrades may be needed.

MOTION by Herrick, seconded by Finsland, and carried to receive and file the Public Works Director's report.

MOTION by Finsland, seconded by Herrick, and the meeting adjourned at 2:29 p.m.

The next Public Works Committee meeting is scheduled for April 20, 2016, 2:00 p.m., in Government Center Room 204.

Minutes submitted to the Council Meeting of April 6, 2016.