

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
MONDAY, JUNE 6TH 2022 @ 5:30 P.M.
CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

1. The June 6th meeting was called to order by Chairman Darrell Anderson.
2. Roll Call: Darrell Anderson, Ron Daul, John Wittkopf, Jean Young, Steve Stock
Also Present: Mayor J. Panetti, Superintendent of Public Works Jeremy Wusterbarth, Chris Augustine
3. **Daul motioned for approval of agenda; Wittkopf called second. (5 Ayes)**
4. **Approval of the May 2, 2022 meeting minutes was placed in motion by Stock with a Daul second. (5 Ayes)**

Superintendent Wusterbarth was questioned about the pool money and responded that it was Park and Rec. carryover money.

5. Public Input: Augustine established appreciation for Public Works. Thereafter he discussed property owned by the Yacht Club, closure thereof, and violation of variances. He sought to know... if these past moves are legal actions. Wusterbarth, at Augustine's request, searched for paperwork finding none. He verified that the Yacht Club does have the right to create access off the cul-de-sac. Augustine previously discussed the issue with Building Inspector Joe Last and Attorney Frank. One year ago Augustine sought documentation with Administrator Perrizo. Wusterbarth assured Augustine a drive access with City involvement was not happening: the Superintendent did already inform the Yacht Club. Wusterbarth said that they would like access off the cul-de-sac. Augustine stated that they should be able to create their own driveway as he felt individuals involved were monetarily able. Daul noted that campsites are now on that road. Mommarts, a past City employee, got the area rated a residential district. Anderson stated that no one is in a position to make deals with anybody: the concern is traffic; a promise was made (in the past) that couldn't be made. Wusterbarth suggested Augustine perform a Title search on the transfer of that property. Stock asked Wusterbarth how this might have happened saying that if the deed is owned by the Yacht Club, the City is not responsible. Mayor Panetti asked if a cul-de-sac would be placed at the end of Yacht Club road would Augustine support it monetarily: to which he responded "I would help compensate." Wusterbarth determined that some type of mediation needs to be done quickly as the road project is in the planning/grant stage: he said he would reach out to the Yacht Club. Anderson concluded that only a new driveway on the part of the Yacht Club, with the planned cul-de-sac will change.

6. Correspondence

a) Board of Public Works Updates

1) Jones Ave. project— Wusterbarth informed that 70% of the water main is installed; 29 – 30 structures are to be placed; the majority of the storm sewers may need extension; all necessary tree line has been removed; and the sidewalk will not be replaced. These are Utilities responsibility.

2) Spies Rd. project— Discussion of 2 (approx. 100') lots which are now a parking area is potentially intended to be sold, with Council permission. Mayor Panetti explained how fishing would be affected here, including revenue. Eventually Spies road will be replaced and this property will be valued. Wusterbarth stated that the DNR will become a part of this and that sanitary will be the biggest issue. He concluded that it is important that Utilities continue in a gravity pulled position.

3) Grass cutting private lots— "No Mow May" was respected by the City of Oconto: now we are viewing the majority of lawn care, as well as, those lots untended: \$100 per hour by City crew. It was established that if the resident delays payment, taxes will be affected. One of these lots is owned (on the corner of Frank and Brazeau) by the DNR: an issue.

4) Day to day operations was discussed throughout the meeting.

5) Other concerns from the committee included Main and Park Ave. The City has been getting calls concerning safety issues: it was thought that a temporary striped area limiting parking but increasing driver visual would be an answer. Would All Way Stops be better? The same issue is on Millage by Crivello's, says Wittkopf: businesses are upset about losing their parking. Wusterbarth encouraged Public Works to consider what-to-do for next meeting discussion. What about Police and Fire? It is up to us to pass on something to Council. Stock established All Way Stops cost: \$1,500 apiece. Note: the Mayor included the # of trucks pulling boats have increased. Wusterbarth will draw up a map and present 1 more idea in July.

b) Yacht Club Rd. Letter was covered in Public Input.

7. Discussion/Recommendation/Action on the Following:

Approval of pay request #1 from Superior Sewer & Water for the reconstruction of Jones Avenue pay request in the amount of \$ 81,797, 38 given out @ the meeting issued from Wittkopf with a Daul second. (M/C)

Stock established that cast piping and all taken out are owned by the City. Superintendent Wusterbarth indicated that the majority of work is Utility. The billing showed 5% retainage and Wusterbarth stated that there is a 2 year warranty on the project.

8. Review of Accounts Payable Reports for April 26, 2022 through May 31, 2022 in the amount of \$63,511.29 was placed into acceptance by Daul. Stock seconded. (M/C)

Among discussion were fittings and couplings bought in bulk for future needs; and a payment and refund on the garbage truck 2nd breakdown. Wusterbarth was also asked to address City gas which he explained is locked in.

9. Revenue & Expenditure Guidelines through 5/31/2022 were viewed and seen as acceptable to the Board.

10. Report/Approval of Attendance to Seminars/Meetings/Conferences: None.

11. Next Meeting Date and Time: Monday, July 11 @ 5:30 p.m.

Anderson addressed 2 issues before adjournment:

Swimming pool hole: Wusterbarth's crew will fill in this week

Back end of the driveway rutted by out-of-town crew: Wusterbarth stated this would be mended by his crew within the next 2 weeks

12. Wittkopf summoned adjournment @ 6:38 p.m. Young motioned second. (M/C)

Minutes submitted by
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