

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
MONDAY, AUGUST 1ST, 2022 @ 5:30 P.M.
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1. The Public Works meeting of August 1, 2022 was called to order by Chair Darrell Anderson.
2. Roll Call: Darrell Anderson, Ron Daul, John Wittkopf, Jean Young, and Steve Stock
Also Present: Superintendent of Public Works Jeremy Wusterbarth
3. **Daul issued approval of agenda; Young called second. (5 Ayes)**
4. **Approval of the July 11th, 2022 meeting minutes was placed in motion by Daul with a Wittkopf second. (5 Ayes)**
5. Public Input: None.

6. Correspondence:

a) **Board of Public Works Updates**— Crew is just finishing striping as the school year is approaching. Brush remains a constant cleanup issue: Sharp Park will be the fall concentration and perhaps beyond: a major project. Wusterbarth’s crew will flag dead trees (to be removed this winter) meanwhile. Stock has offered assistance through the Sportsman’s Club.

b) **Composting Site Update**— DNR Rep. Dan Kroll has aided with the process of application to move the site from the Transfer Station to behind the City Shop. Intent is to save fuel and the working crew as much time as 20 minutes wasted travel.

c) **Recycling Updates**— E-electronics were just submitted to the DNR (on an every 18 month basis): 29,956 lbs.; with a \$6,640 metal hauling fee. (Note Public Works packet.) This is the good side: tires have gone up \$25 per ton. Superintendent Wusterbarth studied necessary cost changes to keep the project afloat: fee changes (which included rim charges) were accepted by the Board: adjustment to the fee scale should cover our tire costs, says Wusterbarth. The latest Recycling Report (Board packet) included the Grant available.

7. **Discussion/Recommendation/Action on the Following:**

a) **Changes to City of Oconto Ordinance Chapter 3. Driveways Sec. 6-3-1 and Sec. 6-3-2 to include and zoning districts in the City of Oconto as seen in provided paperwork pre and post approval was motioned to acceptance by Wittkopf and seconded by Young. (M/C)** Superintendent Wusterbarth intends to review Ordinances under his jurisdiction and bring all to code, as written or as addressed by the Board.

Superintendent Wusterbarth initiated with the required driveway apron Ordinance, having sent 9 residents notices of the apron expectation: each will be placed on a self-imposed time-line. The second set of letters, 7 in the “need to go out” list, was thereby addressed by the Board. Stock sifted through several questions, including why, expected structure, and choice of contractor. Explanation of the Ordinance was expanded by Wusterbarth who is giving homeowners planning time to establish completion goals.

b) **Discussion on possible parking changes** on Main Street from Michigan Ave. to Park Ave. has been visited before this month: all members have had time to ponder what is safest for

the City of Oconto. Wusterbarth used a computer map to view questionable areas. He has spoken to businesses affected by the parking: they understand how employees vs. customers need to park with the Ordinance change @ bay. Utilizing City Parking is a public option (lots are within the City are slim). "Off street parking" too is available to the entire public. **The Board of Public Works seeks to create an All Way Stop @ the intersection of Park Ave. and Main Street. The Board also recommends a 30 day public notice after Council assent. Stock called motion; Wittkopf followed with the second. (Daul abstained; 4 Ayes)**

- Wusterbarth felt he could rearrange present signage avoiding further City cost.
- A continued thought remains with the Board: should a sign be posted @ the fire truck/ambulance area?

8. Review of Accounts Payable Reports for July 1, 2022 through July 27, 2022 in the amount of \$27,664.37 were motioned to acceptance by Stock. A Young second followed. (M/C)

9. Revenue & Expenditure Guidelines through 7/27/2022 was viewed by the Board and seen as acceptable with discussion of our "Repair" cost fund: little cash remains here yet 5 months lay ahead. The Board spent time sifting how to nurse our aged fleet and stay in budget. Although Wusterbarth projected present budget ideas, we need to look at updating our fleet: even parts are hard to find.

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

11. Next Meeting Date and Time: Monday, September 12 @ 5:30 p.m.

12. **Wittkopf summoned adjournment @ 6:41 p.m. Stock called second. (M/C)**

Minutes submitted by
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