

Minutes of the Public Safety Committee Meeting – August 30, 2021

Members Present: Phil Wedekind, Tom Kolb and Mike Plautz. **Others Present:** Tom Pinion, Mark Schauf, Kevin Stieve, Tony Gilman, and Wade Peterson.

Call to Order - Committee Tom Kolb called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M. at Baraboo City Service Center. Compliance with the Open Meeting Law was noted. It was moved by Wedekind, seconded by Plautz to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried unanimously. It was moved by Wedekind, seconded by Plautz to approve the minutes of the July 26, 2021 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Invited To Speak (*Any citizen has the right to speak on any item of business that is on the agenda for this meeting if recognized by the presiding officer.*)

Action Items

- a. Consider revising Section 7.09(2) of the Municipal Code of Ordinances to add a No Parking area on the east side of Draper Street from Algonquin Street south approximately 50 feet – Pinion presented the background to the Committee. Chief Schauf said that it is properly marked as far as 15-feet away from the near end of the sidewalk, so we would be adding about 25-feet of no parking, which would be one or two vehicles. He said he does not know if it is a great addition to the no parking, and it is a pain to enforce. Kolb said that he has driven that several times, there is usually a car or truck parked right at the end of the yellow stripe, and he had to be half way out in the intersection to be able to see anyone coming. Pinion said he thinks it is the contractor's workers that are parking to the closest spot. He said that was an issue before reconstruction started. Schauf said that they do have an agreement with the construction company that their construction workers do not park there during school days, which starts on Thursday. Kolb does not see the problem extending no parking 20-feet. Schauf said that the signage would also have to be extended. Plautz felt the City should hold off and see if any other complaints come in. Kolb moved to add 20-feet to the no parking zone. Wedekind seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-1, Plautz voting no.
- b. Consider revising Section 7.09(2) of the municipal Code of Ordinances to add a No Parking area on the south side of 2nd street from Rosaline Street west side of west a distance of approximately 55 feet – Kolb asked where the 55-feet would take the no parking. Pinion said that at this time it is the no parking is equivalent to one parking stall, extending the no parking would be the equivalent of three. Kolb stated from Rosaline going west, 55 feet would be almost to the edge of the school building. Kolb said that he is the biggest complainant. It was moved by Wedekind, seconded by Plautz to extend the no parking area from the existing on Rosaline, west 35 feet. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Authorize the Water Superintendent to negotiate the annual fee for two connections from the City's water distribution system to the Village of West Baraboo's water distribution system – Wade Peterson said that existing contract with west Baraboo expires September 18, and West Baraboo has realized that they need to do something. He said that the language is all been worked out, now it is about what fee to charge. West Baraboo suggested \$1300; they were using rationale from another community. Peterson said that he counter-offered with \$5,000. He said that he is requesting that the Committee allow him to finish the negotiation with the financial part of the contract. Wedekind moved to go with \$5,000 and pass along to Council. Motion dies from lack of a second. Kolb moved to give Peterson negotiating powers with West Baraboo, Plautz seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- d. Discussion of Budgeted Capital Projects for 2022 – Gilman presented the proposed 2022 alley candidates for renovation. He said that he continues to following the list created last year with the rating system. 2022 Alley Candidates are as follow:
 - 1) Between 2nd & 2rd Avenues, Summit to Center
 - 2) Between 2nd & 3rd Avenues, Birch to West
 - 3) Between Maple & Lynn Streets, Quarry to Vine
 - 4) Between 5th & 6th Streets, Wheeler to Camp

It was consensus of the Committee to go with the proposed alleys. Gilman then presented what he will putting in the budget for capital equipment repair He said that items over \$10,000 is typically what is categorized as capital equipment repair He said the trackless mower system used for mowing ditches is due for replacement, the cost is \$12,000 for just the mower head. He said #26 end loader is in need of pivot bushings and the City does not have the equipment to do that so it will be outsourced to Brooks. He said that cost of \$15,000 would include the charge for the City to hire a lowboy to haul it down there, have the work performed and get it back here. He said the slide-in brine system would be for the Dodge 550 truck purchased this year, it would be a smaller automated system, more user friendly, and easier to calibrate. He said that the tailgate sanders are something to suffer wear and tear, they are \$3,500 per unit and he is looking at getting three. He said that he took the Helping Hand for the recycling truck out; it will be part of the capital for next year. Gilman said the streets

listed Jefferson and Ott, and Parkside and Spruce are completely dependent on where the alleys are from this year. He is still hoping to get those intersections done, but if not they will be extended to next year. He said that spray patching held up nicely and he feels that other streets should be considered. Gilman said that a lot of the Hwy. 136 from Menards to the bridge street light heads have deteriorated from taking in water. He said that three heads have already been replaced. He said that the \$45,000 would do one side from Mine Road to the bridge. Gilman said for what it costs to have contractors fix them, replacement with LED heads that are sealed should be considered. Pinion said that the funding for the streetlights the City is reimbursed one year after the fact. He said that the City would have to come up with the additional revenue this year to take on the expense for two consecutive years, we spend \$45,000 and get back \$45,000 next year, then spend that \$45,000 so the third year we are reimbursed for the whole thing through the special street light charge. A lengthy discussion took place regarding the downtown streetlights deteriorating and a replacement of everything, underground wiring, poles, and heads in the future. The first thing that will be done is a complete evaluation of the downtown lighting system. Gilman then presented the ten-year equipment replacement list. Peterson said that he is looking into re-televising one-third of the City's water mains. He said that he is looking to replace the lawn mower at the Treatment Plan. The UV system is from 2005 and is funded by the equipment fund, the company was here last week, he said this will taken off the list and the funds used to do some updates to it and not actually replace it. He said that there is placeholder to do some replacement of the tops of manholes and work on the bottom. Peterson the Variable Frequency Drive on one of the aeration basins failed this year and was replaced under an emergency, we are thinking that the other one is not far behind so we are going to replace it next year out of equipment fund. Peterson said that he is hoping to do the Hwy A water tower rehab for \$500,000; it should go for bids in October. He said that the turbo in the 2008 dump truck went out so he is looking to replace it in 2022. Well #6 pumps will be updated. He said that golf course water tower mixer would be replaced. He said that the estimate with ARPA is \$1,200,000, of that \$1,000,000 will be used for the Jackson property, and hopefully, the \$200,000 can help with the Hwy. A water tower, service replacement, or a water main on Maple Street.

- e. Review and approval of monthly Billing Adjustments/Credits for Sewer and Water Customers for July and August 2021 – It was moved by Wedekind, seconded by Plautz to approve the monthly Billing Adjustments/Credits for July and August 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

Information Items

- a. Refuse and Recycling Collection – Kolb said that the owners of a 4-unit apartment building on 3rd Street has requested City collection for refuse and recycling or their tenants. He said that there are two one-bedroom apartments and two efficiency apartments and they are all limited to one person per apartment. Wedekind and Plautz voiced their opposition because the ordinance would have to be changed. Kolb agreed. Pinion said that this is only an informational item and it seems that the Committee has no appetite to change the ordinance; therefore, he will let the individual know that the Committee discussed it and has no desire to change the ordinance.

Reports

- a. Utility Superintendent's Report
 - i. Staffing Updates – No report.
 - ii. Project Updates – Peterson said that he received a request from the Wisconsin National Guard requesting that we do PFAS at their facility. He said that the estimate from the lab is \$3,500-\$4,000; the Armory's daily water usage averages 80 gallons. Peterson replied to the Guard that the Utility has no plan to perform any PFAS testing. Peterson said that the water main and lead services for the 4th Ave and 7th St. reconstruction projects would be completed by August 27.
- b. Street Superintendent's Report
 - i. Staffing Updates –
 - ii. Equipment Updates – Gilman said that the 2020-2021 plow came in six weeks early so it is in Galesville being outfitted with new box, plow equipment, and sanding equipment. He said that the one-tone that was budgeted came a couple of months ago. Gilman said that bucket truck is split with Parks and Forestry was received a month ago and is a used unit that the City of Madison was being rid of, and purchased through the Wisconsin Surplus Auction for \$24,000.
 - iii. Monthly Report on Public Works Department activities – Gilman said that 4 out of 5 alleys are complete. He said that he is still hoping to get intersection repairs done this year. He said that he would also like to get cracking sealing done this year. He said that the Committee had conferred on parking issues at alleys, he will get a list together and get it to Pinion for next month's PSC meeting. Pinion spoke regarding the repainting of the Broadway Bridge.

- c. Police Chief's Report
 - i. Staffing Update – Nothing to report.
 - ii. Case Response Update – Schauf said that the reports are in the packet and would answer any questions if needed. He said working through the 2021 budget; the Department was approved for three new vehicles. He said on January 1st one of the squad cars that was not slated for replacement was involved in a crash, no fault of the officer, and was replaced. He said that there is enough money budgeted for another vehicle; however, he does not think that one will be purchased due to hearing of manufacturer defects in other departments vehicles. Schauf said that there are some items that the Department has to keep working on, need to keep upgrading radios; new Tasers are needed this year. He said that they are working with new software that interfaces with the current software. Kolb asked Schauf the progress regarding Hybrid or EV vehicles. Schauf said that the Department is on the list for the all-electric 4x4 pickup truck, does not mean they will get it, but a deposit has been put down.

- d. Fire Chief's Report
 - i. Monthly Incident Report – Stieve said the monthly incident report would be in the Council packet.
 - ii. Equipment Update – Stieve said that there is a Tender on the Capital Replacement schedule. He said there is money in the fund for the Tender.
 - iii. Operations Study Update – Stieve said that the study is still underway. He said that it is difficult to work with the computerized dispatch system that dispatch has. He said that Consultant would be meeting with Casey Bradley regarding the stakeholders meeting, which will involve the Committee.
 - iv. Staffing updates – Stieve said there are two new people, one is the paid on premises person that was approved at the July meeting. Stieve said that the Fire Academy is back with eight kids enrolled.

AJOURNMENT – It was moved by Kolb, seconded by Plautz to adjourn at 2:15 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Kolb, Chairman