

## MINUTES PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

**MAY 9, 2012**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Mel Schaefer at 5:00 p.m. Members present were Jeff Bertram, Matt Quade, Keith Hemmesch, and Dave Peschong. Advisory members present were Ron Mergen and Chuck DeWolf, Bolton & Menk, Inc.

**Motion was made by Peschong to approve the minutes from the April 11, 2012 Public Works Committee meeting. Seconded by Quade and unanimously carried.**

### WASTEWATER FACILITY

**Master Mark Plastics** – A meeting is set for Thursday to review the SIU and deal with any issues Master Mark Plastics may have.

**AMPI** - The contract was reviewed with AMPI and AMPI would like the following added to the agreement:

- “The City will agree that AMPI’s portion of the flow and BOD to the City’s wastewater system will never be lower than the present limits as long as the City maintains a wastewater treatment facility. The present limits will not be removed from any SIU now and in future SIU negotiations.”

Members felt that the following paragraph should not be included because there is no debt service: “With the prior written consent of the City of Paynesville, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld, AMPI may sell, lease, or assign value to any other public, private, commercial or industrial user all or any portion of the flow or load which Paynesville agrees to handle in table 1. However this permit is not transferrable without the written consent of the City of Paynesville, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld.”

After a short discussion,

**Motion was made by Bertram to approve the SIU with AMPI with the added paragraph and recommend such to the City Council. Seconded by Quade and unanimously carried.**

**Design** - Information was presented on the blowers multistage vs. the turbo. The multistage is what the City currently has and the turbo is more efficient; however, the payback is approximately 25 years; therefore, the City will keep the multistage blowers.

### WATER PLANT REHAB PROJECT

DeWolf presented the updated costs for the Water Plant Rehab. The schedule to secure the PFA low interest loan money would be to submit a letter in June. In August the City would find out if we are on the qualifying list and after that the City would proceed with design. It was noted that if the City proceeds to design the City would want a detailed budget and any rate increase projections. It was also noted that the City has been budgeting for this and any rate increase would be minimal.

**Motion was made by Quade to submit a request to be on the PFA loan eligibility list and recommend such to the City Council. Seconded by Hemmesch and unanimously carried.**

### **MPCA – FORMER MIDTOWN SERVICE STATION**

Members were briefed on the status of the Midtown gas clean up. MPCA plans to install another 19 monitoring wells and keep monitoring. Excavation is not in MPCA plans. The City is proposing to add an air stripping tower along with the Water Plant Rehab. The cost is \$1.25 million and would have to be picked up by MPCA. This would give the City a sense of security to know the water could be treated and the water from well 4 could be utilized again.

After a short discussion,

**Motion was made by Hemmesch to research air stripper and recommend such to the City Council. Seconded by Quade and unanimously carried.**

### **HWY. 55 & COUNTY ROAD 181**

DeWolf reported that MnDOT has approved the funding for the project this year; however, MnDOT will not cover the design and engineering costs of \$12,000.00. The City's other option is to wait until 2016 or later when MnDOT would do the entire project. Members discussed the project and noted that if it saves one accident it would be worth it.

**Motion was made by Hemmesch to pay for the design and engineering costs, proceed with the project this year, and recommend such to the City Council. Seconded by Quade and unanimously carried.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.