

**MINUTES
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

JUNE 10, 2013

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

Motion was made by Hemmesch to approve the minutes from the May 8, 2013 Public Works Committee meeting. Seconded by Peschong and unanimously carried.

IRRIGATION FIELD NET

Members were informed that the Field Net program is due for renewal. The program is internet based and its purpose is to operate the center pivots from a remote or mobile location. The savings on this is approximately 220 hours and 2,500 miles annually. The City has been in contact with the company that is working on the wastewater project; however, to go through the wastewater project contractor it will take 6 to 12 months to design and build an irrigation program.

Motion was made by Peschong to approve a one year subscription renewal at the cost of \$3,250.00 and recommend such to the City Council. Seconded by Hemmesch and unanimously carried.

WATER PLANT REHAB

It was reported that the rehab was discussed at the Council's Goals & Objectives meeting and Bolton & Menk, Inc. is reviewing several issues.

WASTE WATER RE-SCOPING PROJECT

DeWolf updated the Committee on the construction and that work is proceeding in all areas of the project.

MPCA – FORMER MIDTOWN SERVICE STATION

It was reported that MPCA staff was questioning what the City wanted on the agenda, if a meeting is held. MPCA indicated until the monitoring wells are in and MPCA knows the extent of the contamination MPCA will not have a plan. MPCA also noted that they will be discussing the issues on Wednesday June 12, 2013.

HWY. 55 & CO. RD. 181 INTERSECTION

It was reported that construction has started and it will be approximately a two week project.

LAKE AVENUE

The proposed layout was again reviewed with the through street being Washburne Ave. to Lake Ave. and a stop sign on Minnie St. and Washburne Ave. The cost estimate for this section is \$426,000.00. Traffic counts were reviewed with Washburne Ave. at 1,200, Minnie St. at 7,500 and Lake Ave. at 450. After a lengthy discussion it was suggested to add this as a 2015 project. It was suggested that the entire Street CIP will be reviewed and brought back to the next meeting.

2014 STREET PROJECT

DeWolf reviewed the plans with the Committee members. DeWolf explained the project area and scope of the improvements. The Old Hwy. 23 section, street, curb & gutter, storm sewer, and sidewalk will be paid for with turn back money; therefore, will only be assessed for water and sewer service lines. The street width, center turn lane, boulevard area, and sidewalks were discussed.

The Minnesota Street section will include an entire rehab of water, sewer, street (36' width with curb & gutter), and no side walk is proposed. The estimated assessment is \$65.00 per linear foot. The project schedule is to have the Preliminary Assessment public hearing in August with the design finalized this fall and then bid the project in February. After a short discussion,

Motion was made by Peschong to approve the Engineers Report, call for a public hearing, and recommend such to the City Council. Seconded by Hemmesch and unanimously carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.