

**MINUTES  
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

**OCTOBER 9, 2013**

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

**Motion was made by Quade to approve the minutes from the September 11, 2013 Public Works Committee meeting. Seconded by Mayer and unanimously carried.**

**NOVEMBER MEETING**

It was consented to cancel the November Public Works Committee meeting due to several members that will not be in attendance.

**WATER PLANT REHAB**

DeWolf reported that the Department of Health has approved the project. The PFA can now finalize the financing paper work and construction can proceed.

**WASTE WATER RE-SCOPING PROJECT**

DeWolf reported that all the facilities are on line and operable. The contractor is working on landscaping, clean up, and working the bugs out of the system.

**MPCA – FORMER MIDTOWN SERVICE STATION**

The MN Department of Health report was reviewed. The report noted that the monitoring wells and wells #5, #6, and #7 are hydraulically connected and that pumping the wells is drawing that plume in that direction. Members were informed that representatives from the MPCA and the Department of Health will be present at tonight's Council meeting. Also reviewed were the MPCA letter and their request for access for installing the monitoring wells. After reviewing the information members discussed the need to have the monitoring wells installed to know how far the contamination has moved.

**2014 STREET PROJECT**

DeWolf reported they are in the design phase. The utility portion of the Business 23 will be bid with the County project. It was noted that a request was made by a resident stating he would give the County an easement on his property to install the sidewalk to create a boulevard. Members noted that this would need to be completed over the entire block.

**ALLEY BETWEEN RIVER STREET AND AUGUSTA AVENUE**

A letter from DeWolf stated that the alley improvement cost is estimated at \$50,000.00 for a 24' paved alley with curb and gutter on one side for drainage. No action was taken at this time.

### **ALLEY APPROACH BY NUCARA ONTO BUSINESS HWY. 23**

It was noted a letter will be sent to NuCara with the agreement duties outlined.

### **IRRIGATION**

It was reported that Bill Pflipsen was informed that the City would allow the tile line, but would not allow out-letting into the ditch.

The City-owned land under pivot 3 was discussed. The rental contract is up this year. This parcel was purchased with the pivot 2 parcel (which is for a future pond). The question is, with no future plans for this site and it is not being a good irrigation site, should the City sell it. Members briefly discussed selling the property and suggested discussing it at the next meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.