

**MINUTES
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

DECEMBER 14, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Mel Schaefer at 5:00 p.m. Members present were Matt Quade, Neil Herzberg, Dave Peschong, and Keith Hemmesch. 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 October 12, 2015 Public Works Committee meeting. Seconded by Peschong and unanimously carried.

MAIN LIFT GREASE ISSUE

Mergen explained to members that since the new upgrade, the City has been experiencing a grease buildup of over a foot within a month's time. A fire truck has been brought out to blow it apart. Staff also installed a mixer unit and that is working very well. The cost of the mixer is approximately \$7,500.00 plus electrical hook up. Members suggested to identify the source and either have them pay for it or stop sending the oil or grease through the system.

LAKE AVE. NORTH OF CROW RIVER TO HWY 23

Members were informed that this section of road is in a state of disrepair and needs to be put on the CIP plan. The suggested project would be added to the 2017 project. It was noted this will be 100% assessable. Members suggested to write Mr. Ferche a letter informing him of the condition of the road and the City's intentions of reconstructing the road in 2017.

RADIO READS MXU

Members reviewed a quote from HD Water supply for 200 MXU boxes in the amount of \$21,000.00. It was noted that staff currently has approximately 500 units installed. All the monthly accounts are on the system and it considerably reduces the time required to read. Once all the units are in, Mergen estimates only several hours to read the entire town. After a short discussion,

Motion was made by Peschong to approve a quote from HD Water Supply in the amount of \$21,000.00 for 200 MXU units and recommend such to the City Council. Seconded by Quade and unanimously carried.

2016 STREET PROJECT

DeWolf updated the Committee on the 2016 St. Project; reviewing the layout of Minnie St. and Washburne Ave. noting the proposed 40 feet street width. In addition, DeWolf briefly described the storm sewer layout. The schedule is to bring the entire plan to the January meeting and plan to open bids in February.

MPCA – FORMER MID TOWN SERVICE STATION

Members were informed that the contract is scheduled for approval and to start the pilot study. Members question Well #4 and if that can be incorporated into the project. The DNR, MPCA, and Dept. of Health all concur that Well #4 is being utilized as a pump out well and will not consider it for municipal usage.

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