

**CITY OF NEW LONDON
MINUTES OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING
MONDAY, May 3, 2010**

Members Present: Chairman Mike Barrington, Dennis Herter, Robert Besaw, Lori Dean, and Ron Steinhorst

Others Present: Jeff Bodoh, Acting Public Works Director
Gary Henke, Mayor
Kent Hager, City Administrator
Tom O'Connell, Alderperson
Dave Morack, Alderperson
Louie Dresen, WWTP Superintendent
Janet Searl, Administrative Assistant
Lee Rousseau
Chad Hoerth, Director of Parks & Recreation (4:39)

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Barrington at 4:30 p.m. with a quorum present.

Motion by Dean / Steinhorst to approve the agenda as presented.
Five voting aye. Motion carried.

2. Wastewater Treatment Plant Update. Louie reported on the spring sludge hauling. They are using some new sites and 1.4 million gallons of sludge has been spread. He is waiting for approval for other new sites to use in the event that we lose one of the current sites. The plant is operating well, with the exception of a vacuum pump in need of repair. It is 23 years old and obsolete so he is waiting to see about getting parts and has requested a quote for a new one. Last month AECOM presented short- and long-term recommendations for modifying the rock media trickling filter. Louie requested that the Board allow him to implement a program change that would allow the loadings to be divided between the two trickling filters for a 5-month trial. He believes that if the industrial flows stay as they have been it could be an economical answer to the problem. The cost will come from the treatment plant operating budget and the Board gave their approval.

3. Fence on the Riverwall behind Downtown. Bodoh had an estimate from Security Fence for repair of the fence or removal and replacement of the fence. He also had received a request from the owners of Mid Town Pub & Grill to allow them permission to remove the section of fence behind their business so they could paint, weed, and plant flowers. Many of the Board members were hesitant to repair the fence if other property owners were going to remove sections for planting or other things.

Motion by Dean / Herter to recommend to Council to remove the fence on the Riverwall behind businesses in the downtown alley but retain the posts. Five voting aye. Motion carried.

4. Approval of Bid for 2010 Asphalt Pavement Project. There was discussion of whether the issue of Maple Creek Lane was going to be resolved in time to be included in the project. It was Bodoh's understanding that it would. Bodoh said he would talk to the low bidder about the Maple Creek Lane issue.

Motion Dean / Herter to approve the bid for the 2010 Asphalt Pavement Project, which includes Maple Creek Lane, by MCC, Inc. for a total of \$170,981.86. Five voting aye. Motion carried.

5. Approval of Bid for 2010 Sidewalk Rehabilitation.

Motion Herter / Dean to approve the bid for the 2010 Sidewalk Rehabilitation Project by Jim Fischer, Inc. for a total of \$33,912.00. Five voting aye. Motion carried.

6. Future Sidewalk Extensions. Bodoh provided a copy of a letter he sent to residents along Pershing Road informing them of the possibility of sidewalk construction along the northwest side. He handed out a copy of comments he has received from some of those residents. The Board discussed that a cheaper alternative might be to create a bike/pedestrian lane on one side of the road, with no parking on that side of Pershing. Bodoh was going to check with Waupaca County about that possibility.

7. Monthly Report of Director/Engineer. A written report was included in the packet. Bodoh stated that we would be observing Public Works Week the week of May 16th. The Mayor has signed a Proclamation.

8. Other Matters. Dean had received a complaint about the intersection of Mill and Douglas Streets and the difficulty the elderly have getting across the street. The Board discussed painting the crosswalk, putting up signs, and perhaps putting reminders on the Cable Channel.

The meeting recessed to the Simmons Site at 5:30 p.m. Others Present: Paul Hanlon, Building Inspector; Tim Pritzl, First State Bank; Pete Giovanoni, Superior Excavating of Hurley; Rob Way, and Bart Roloff.

The group was led on a tour of the buildings that remain and the grounds where the wood and cement are piled.

Motion by Dean to adjourn the meeting at 6:08 p.m., second by Herter. Motion carried by all.

Jeffrey Bodoh
Acting Director of Public Works