

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

A meeting of the Board of Public Works was called to order by Vice Chairperson Coenen on Monday, April 17, 2023 at 6:00 P.M.

Members present: Antoine, Coenen, DeCoster, Eggleston, Kilgas, Moore, and Schell.

Absent & Excused: Thiele

Also present: Mayor Penterman, Attorney Davidson, DPW/Eng. Neumeier, Director/Naturalist Nowak, and interested citizens.

Motion by Moore, seconded by Schell to excuse the absent member.

All Ald. present voted aye.

Motion carried.

1. Correspondence – none.

2. Discussion Topics.

a. No Mow May Discussion.

DPW/Eng. Neumeier is proposing different ways to increase pollinators without participating in “No Mow May”. Residents can still do No Mow May, if they would like, on their own. Director/Naturalist Nowak gave a presentation on ways to help pollinators with a different technique - “Slow Mow Summer”. Decreasing the amount of times grass is cut, planting flowers; especially plants that flower early in the season, increasing mower height to highest setting, doing social media posts, and reducing pesticide use are a few ways to increase pollinators. Questions from the Board were answered.

b. Recommend Award of Project 3-23 Alley Paving.

The Engineering Department has reviewed and analyzed the bids from Vinton Construction Company, M.C.C.,Inc. and Northeast Asphalt for the 3-23 Alley Paving Project. The Engineering Department has created an engineer’s estimate prior to bid opening and has compared the three received bids against the engineers estimate. The bids themselves are within \$41,174.50 of each other, which is a good indication that they are competitive. The bid tabulation showing the pricing differences between the received bids was provided.

Motion by Moore, seconded by Antoine to award Project 3-23, Alley Paving, to Vinton Construction Company, Two Rivers, WI for a total bid price of \$147,145.25.

All members present voted aye.

Motion carried.

c. Authorization to seek bids for Replacement of Tower Drive Storm Lift Station Back-up Generator.

DPW/Eng. Neumeier stated the back-up generator at the Tower Drive Stormwater Lift Station has been declining for several years. Small repairs and service calls have been increasing. Larger concerns/issues with the injectors and now with low results from the load-bank testing signify that the generator is near the end of its useful life. We had previously budgeted and borrowed for this item in the 2021 CIP but were able to keep the unit operating with a good level of confidence until this year. Questions from the Board were answered.

Motion by Kilgas, seconded by DeCoster to authorize the Street Department to seek bids for the replacement of the Tower Drive Storm Lift Station Back-up Generator.

All members present voted aye.

Motion carried.

d. Authorization to seek bids for Project 11-23 Rehabilitation of Horseshoe Park Storm Sewer.

The flow line of the 72" Corrugated Metal Pipe (CMP) under Horseshoe Park has deteriorated and is allowing soil migration, leading to sink holes in the park. Photos of the pipe were provided. After assessing the pipe with staff and consultants we are recommending bidding out a contract to patch/rehabilitate the flow line of the pipe and make tuck-point repairs to structures in the system. In addition, we will be looking for alternate bids to install structural liner for the CMP sections.

Motion by Schell, seconded by Eggleston to authorize Engineering Department to seek bids for Project 11-23, Rehabilitation of Horseshoe Park Storm Sewer.

All members present voted aye.

Motion carried.

e. Public Works update.

DPW/Eng. Neumeier stated the annual watershed cleanup will be May 6 at multiple sites. Diamond #2 concession repair quotes are coming in. Materials costs to repair the roof should be under \$1,000. On-line site card renewal will be rolling out slowly. Participants who provided an email address will be contacted starting this week. Ash tree removal in full swing. 36 Ash trees have been removed since March 20. This will be a multiple year project to remove all the necessary Ash trees. Director/Naturalist Nowak will help with the replanting of trees.

3. Adjourn.

Motion made by Antoine, seconded by DeCoster to adjourn.

All members present voted aye.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Sally Kenney, Clerk