

APRIL 4, 2016 COMBINED PROPERTY AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

2 p.m. Council Chamber. Members present: A. Hraban, M. Hraban, B. Morgan. Others present: K. Brown, R. Carlson, A. Christianson, K. Gorseger, A. Kenyon, D. Parker, B. Zeigler.

Call to Order:

Mr. A. Hraban called the meeting to order.

2016 Street Work:

Those present reviewed a summary of 2016 street work that might be accomplished if the general fund balance is what (\$400,000+) it is expected to be following completion of the 2015 audit. A lengthy discussion ensued. The following were among comments made:

*Worden Ave. is in tough shape from W. 3rd St. for several blocks to the east. It is underlain by thick concrete that should be removed before repaving so that cracks don't telegraph through.

*A couple large potholes along High School Drive are believed to be in the parking lot rather than the street. While the portion of street north of the parking lot is in the worst shape, the portion from there west to W. 16th St. is not in much better condition.

*The wooded area immediately west of the high school was supposed to have been cleared further back long ago to remove the fire and tree fall hazard it poses.

*No milling is currently proposed to be done in 2016. Milling involves grinding off a thin layer of existing asphalt pavement so that a new pavement overlay has a rough surface it will adhere to better. Pulverizing, which is not the same, involves mashing up current pavement so that it is no longer bound together and serves as additional base course. Gravel is often added before pulverizing so that it mixes with the mashed up pavement to thicken the road base.

*The hill on Adams Ave. between E. 9th and E. 12th Streets is likely in need of milling and repaving.

*W. 5th St. N. should also be considered for milling before long.

*Residents liked the results of chip sealing done last year by Scott Construction using trap rock.

*Pulverizing cost \$1.75/ sq. yd. last year and milling \$2.25/sq. yd.

*Phillips Ave. from 1st St. to E. 4th St. is deteriorating because water just sits on or near it. Some shallow ditching and minor storm sewer work should get this water away. A preliminary estimate to do this, to include pulverizing and repaving, is \$150,000.

Motion was made by M. Hraban, seconded by Morgan and carried by voice vote to put consideration of repaving part of High School Drive on hold.

Motion was made by M. Hraban, seconded by Morgan and carried by voice vote to recommend to the Council that the 2016 street work plan be recommended to the Council with repaving of High School Drive put on hold and pulverizing 1st St. S. from College Ave. to Phillips Ave., and Phillips Ave. from 1st St. to E. 4th St. S. added in. DPW Gorseger will ask Morgan & Parmley for a proposal to prepare bid documents for the Phillips Ave. and 1st St. pulverizing and repaving job.

Mural Lighting:

Electrician Bill Zeigler demonstrated LED strip lighting and commented on why he feels it is the best solution for lighting the current military mural. He acknowledged that it is not the least costly option, but feels it is best for good light distribution. Pole mounted floodlights from Xcel would be cheaper. He also recommends the City have a small roof built over the mural to protect lighting from the elements. He could do strips with a single row of lights for \$4,000, or strips with a double row for \$5,300. If the strip lighting could be extended from an existing electrical service that would save about \$1,000.

Corbett Lake:

Asst. DPW Parker reviewed the draft timeline for Corbett Lake draining and dredging. It is uncertain how long the lake is proposed to be left down. It is also uncertain when draining can start in the spring without affecting amphibians. It was suggested that, while we are awaiting other information and input, Morgan & Parmley can be designing a temporary holding area for the upland off the SE corner of the Lake. An area where dredge spoils could be dried to simplify trucking to the as yet undetermined final disposal site.

Motion was made by M. Hraban, seconded by Morgan and carried by voice vote to contact Bill Rands about meeting to discuss his willingness to allow inflow from the NW part of the wetland adjoining Corbett Lake to be diverted across his property to the Bruno Lake Drainage Ditch. Chair A. Hraban will attempt to contact Mr. Rands for this purpose.

Adm. Christianson advised that a former resident who now sells goose repellent and similar products has called him. It is Adm. Christianson's understanding that while a product used in the past, that caused indigestion, was effective at keeping geese away, it was also expensive. In recent years, effort has been focused on egg oiling, to prevent hatching, which does seem to control numbers. The repellent being advocated at this time is organic in origin.

Ranger Station:

Asst. DPW Parker reported that the flag pole at the former ranger station seems in working order such that a new flag can be raised. Assuming it will have to be lit, a quote is being sought to mount a floodlight on the old office building, which is located closest to the flagpole. So far as repainting the buildings, Adm. Christianson reported that he sent letters to both Bob Bundgaard and Lon Orme to see if they might be interested. Both are believed to be working at the sand plant. He also spoke with Glen Hetchler and expects to get a Proposal soon from him.

Equipment:Generator

Now that the wells have VFDs and the lift stations have been rebuilt, the trailer mounted generator stored at the former ranger station may be able to be used with them. This will be investigated further.

Ventilator

DPW Gorseger will ask former Water Lead Worker Gary Monnier about the capabilities of the trailer mounted manhole ventilator stored at the ranger station, as Gary may have been the last to use it.

Rodder

Since the City has a jetter, an old sewer rodder that has been in storage is no longer needed. It will be put up for sale.

Bucket Truck

The newer (1982?) of the City's two old bucket trucks has recently been taken out of service as the boom won't stay in position, making it unsafe. A newer truck would probably cost from \$25-35,000. The 1982 model will be sold "as is" since the cost of repairs would likely exceed its value. It is used for sign banner, flag and lighting work.

Snow Blower

After using a snow blower made by Fair Mfg. for several years the City of Hayward recently bought a Sno Go made by McQueen. That City much prefers the McQueen model. Fair Mfg. will demo its current model here on April 6th.

Old Smoky:

Adm. Christianson reported he had spoken with Ernie Mogenson and advised him of arrangements to look at the cab windows on Old Smoky for purposes of providing an estimate to rebuild them. [Glen Hetchler has also since been contacted.]

Other:

Those present toured a handful of locations to get a better feel for conditions present before deciding on issues involving those locations.

E. 4th St. S.

Members were asked if they want to look at where E. 4th St. S. would be extended south to, perhaps, river's edge. It was then noted that this would be in flood plain. No tour was conducted.

Rail Yard

Adm. Christianson reported that he sent a letter to CN asking if their plans for a log yard at Sheldon do involve or could involve log loading. He went on to say that he advised that while the City doesn't want to make things more difficult for the log haulers, it does want to end the occasional gridlock that results from loading operations in the yard north of Pederson Ave. keeping the Lake Ave. crossing gates down.

Methodist Church

M. Hraban stated that the County wants an update on any City plans to save the former Methodist Church. Adm. Christianson indicated his belief that the time granted to the City/Main Street to investigate ways to keep it has expired. It was noted that there are firms that buy such buildings with the intent of taking them apart to salvage salable components such as brick and beams.

Fire Truck

Mr. Morgan advocated for housing one LFD pumper in the old fire hall east of the CN. A handful of fire fighters who are able to respond to most calls could, perhaps, be directed to respond at that location if the crossing is occupied. They could, perhaps, carry turnout gear in their vehicles.

Adjourn:

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.