

**COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF LADYSMITH**  
September 2, 2015 6:30 p.m. Council Chamber

**Roll Call.** Members present: K. Brown, A. Hraban, M. Hraban, B. Morgan, J. Pearson, M. Reynolds, B. Stoneberg. Member absent: M. Platteter.

Others present: A. Christianson, K. Gorsegner, A. Lobermeier, D. Parker.

**Call to Order:**

Mayor Reynolds called the meeting to order and served as chair.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

Mrs. Stoneberg led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes:**

None.

**Agenda:**

Motion was made by A. Hraban, seconded by M. Hraban and carried by voice vote to approve the evening's agenda.

**Hearings and Appearances:**

None.

**Resolutions and Ordinances:**

None.

**District and Committee Reports:**

**District One, Mr. Platteter:**

Mr. Platteter was absent.

**District Two, Mr. B. Morgan:**

Mr. Morgan suggested ordering the Corbett Lake level control structure soon, although most agreed it is getting quite late to make other preparations to drain the Lake. The proposed permit to facilitate its installation is out for public comment through Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>. This matter was referred to the PW Committee for consideration.

**District Three, Mr. M. Hraban:**

Mr. Hraban asked how the WTP is performing. Mr. Gorsegner responded by stating that it had been running well until earlier in the day when the meter starting acting erratically.

**District Four, Mr. K. Brown:**

Mr. Brown had nothing to report.

**District Five, Mrs. B. Stoneberg:**

Mrs. Stoneberg had nothing to report.

**District Six, Mr. A. Hraban:**

Mr. Hraban had nothing to report.

**District Seven, Mrs. J. Pearson:**

Mrs. Pearson had nothing to report.

**Police and Fire Dept. Reports, A. Lobermeier:**

Chief Lobermeier advised that the City should know by month's end whether it will receive a COPS grant to enable adding an officer.

**Public Works Dept. Report, Mr. K. Gorsegner:**

Motion was made by Brown and seconded by M. Hraban to approve a change order with Haas Sons, adding \$4,901.80 to the cost of the E. 8<sup>th</sup> /E. 9<sup>th</sup> St. reconstruction project to account for sidewalk added; removal and replacement of steps that encroached into the right of way; and, replacement of pavement from Railroad Ave. with a narrow gravel walk path. Roll call vote: Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes; Brown-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-absent.

Motion was made by A. Hraban and seconded by M. Hraban to approve final payment of \$37,546.22 to Haas Sons on the E.8<sup>th</sup>/E.9<sup>th</sup> St. reconstruction project. Roll call vote: M. Hraban-yes; Brown-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-absent; Morgan-yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by M. Hraban and seconded by A. Hraban to approve a change order of (+)\$1,741.37 with The Pember Companies on the west side sewer interceptor project. This covers the cost of installing two cleanouts to facilitate bypass pumping of the Ladysmith Motel and Suites during the project, as the motel could not be shut down. A question was raised whether this cost should be passed along to the motel. It was noted, in response, that the motel does have a cleanout but that it is located inside the building where it wouldn't be possible to run gas powered bypass pumps. Roll call vote: Brown-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-absent; Morgan-no; M. Hraban-yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brown and seconded by A. Hraban to approve final payment of \$46,550.07 to The Pember Companies relating to the west side sewer interceptor project. Roll call vote: Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-absent; Morgan-no; M. Hraban-yes; Brown-yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by A. Hraban and seconded by Morgan to approve a manhole reconstruction contract with HK-Hydro-Klean in the amount of \$36,730. It was noted that, after viewing a video wherein the Medford, WI Public Works Director gives a testimonial about how happy that City is with using this "no dig manhole restoration" technology, and the construction process is reviewed step by step, the Public Works

Committee recommends proceeding with it for this fall's planned project. Roll call vote: A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-absent; Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes; Brown-yes; Stoneberg-yes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by M. Hraban and seconded by A. Hraban to rescind the August 24, 2015 award of a chip sealing contract to Scott Construction, in the amount of \$96,325, as an error was made in recognizing that number as the bid. Roll call vote: Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes; Brown-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-absent. Motion carried.

Motion was made by A. Hraban and seconded by Morgan to award a crack/chip sealing contract to Scott Construction, in the amount of \$129,321, using trap rock. Roll call vote: Pearson-yes; Platteter-absent; Morgan-yes; M. Hraban-yes; Brown-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes. Motion carried.

DPW Gorsegner introduced Pay Request No. 1 from McCabe Construction on the W. 8<sup>th</sup> and Roesler rebuild project, in the amount of \$134,147.41. In view of ongoing concerns about failure to get a safe water sample, it was decided to defer action on this item until the next meeting.

**Administrative Report, Mr. A. Christianson:**

Motion was made by M. Hraban and seconded by Brown to approve entering into decorative holiday lighting energy use agreement and a downtown metal utility pole operation and maintenance agreement with Xcel Energy. It was noted, in response to a question, that while these agreements do not state exact costs they refer to published rates that are on file. DPW Gorsegner added that, to calculate the actual invoice for the decorative lighting Xcel requires that the City furnish in advance an exact count of decorative lighting fixtures to be used over the holiday season along with bulb counts and wattage of each bulb for each type. While some usage is metered, some is not, so providing this information allows for an accurate charge when costs to operate metered units are compared to unmetered. Roll call vote: M. Hraban-yes; Brown-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-yes; Platteter-absent; Morgan-no. Motion carried.

Motion was made by M. Hraban, seconded by A. Hraban and carried by voice vote to authorize establishment of a separate non-interest bearing checking account at Pioneer Bank of Northern Wisconsin into which to receive CDBG assistance for the W. 8<sup>th</sup> and Roesler project and to pay the bills for that project from.

Motion was made by Brown and seconded by M. Hraban to approve Change Order No. 2 with S D Ellenbecker, in the amount of (-)\$81,762, to account for City direct purchase of key materials for the plow museum. This will result in savings of \$4,262 on sales tax. Roll call vote: Brown-yes; Stoneberg-yes; A. Hraban-yes; Pearson-no; Platteter-absent; Morgan-yes. Motion carried.

**Attorney's Report, Mr. A. Kenyon:**

Absent.

**Mayor's Forum, Mr. M. Reynolds:**  
Mayor Reynolds had nothing to report.

**Licenses and Permits:**

None.

**Adjourn:**

Upon motion by M. Hraban, which was seconded by A. Hraban and carried by voice vote, the meeting was adjourned 5:44 p.m.

**Recorded by:** \_\_\_\_\_

Alan Christianson  
Adm.-Deputy Clerk

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