

**CITY OF NEW LONDON
MINUTES OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2009**

Members Present: Chairman Arien Herminath, Mike Barrington, Dennis Herter,
Lori Dean (4:45 p.m.) and Robert Besaw

Others Present: Gary Henke, Mayor
Kent Hager, City Administrator
Jeff Bodoh, Acting Public Works Director
John Romberg, Alderperson
Tom O'Connell, Alderperson
David Morack, Alderperson
Janet Searl
Louie Dresen
Lee Rousseau

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

Motion by Barrington / Herter to approve the agenda as presented.
All voting aye. Motion carried.

2. WWTP Update. Dresen reported that the new meter was online at Saputo. Saputo was averaging 233,000 gallons per day through October. The week of October 12th a spill of 17,000 gallons of milk ran into the plant. Glen Besaw opened the gates on an empty clarifier to absorb half of the spillage, with the remainder running through the plant. The effluent numbers are turning out well. Sludge hauling resumed November 3rd. We have 90 acres of land available to finish the year. Dresen pointed out several capital equipment items that he would like to purchase this year. He will secure bids for the items and purchase according to the lowest bid.
3. Future Sanitary Sewer Resizing/Mapping. Bodoh had a phone conversation with the City's consultant regarding the City's sewer map and the discrepancies between what is on the map and what is in the ground. It was noted that the sanitary sewer used to be the combined storm/sanitary sewer system. Because these pipes handled storm sewer some of them are larger then what they need to be and smaller pipes could be installed when the sewer is reconstructed. There was discussion of whether the consultants should do the fieldwork or have the Street Department do this work when they clean the sewers. The committee suggested that Bodoh set up a meeting with the consultant to discuss the options.

4. Snow Plowing/Snow Emergency Policy. The committee was pleased with the policy that had been sent to City residents with their utility bills. There were questions about past procedures for plowing, scheduling drivers, etc. The Board and other Aldermen requested that Public Works should use the same policy for plowing the street as last year and not worry about the snowplowing budget. It was noted that Waupaca County would be cutting back on some services due to budget cuts. The Board would like the City crews to be proactive in their plowing efforts in areas that the County usually plowed. The Board asked if the allotment of salt from the County was adequate and Bodoh noted that the City has never run out before, but he would check with Waupaca County to see if they had a contingency plan for salt shortages. There was discussion about using brine or pre wetting the salt.
5. Discuss future capital improvement projects. The discussion focused mainly on the Lawrence Street construction project. If the cost can be brought down by having the Street crew do some of the work there may be more money to use for sidewalk projects. Bodoh had met with an asphalt contractor and is waiting for more information about the use of micro surfacing for road repair.
6. Monthly Report of the Director. There were no comments.
7. Other Matters. There was a question about when the work on Pershing would be done. Bodoh said it should be closed up early next week. There was a comment about the ruts caused by Woods Excavating in the Simmons Parking Lot and the Street crew doing the grading. That cost should be reimbursed to the City.

Motion by Barrington to adjourn the meeting at 5:37 P.M., second by Dean. Motion carried by all.