

CITY OF NEW LONDON
MINUTES OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING
Monday, October 5, 2015

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

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Jeff Bodoh, Public Works Director
Gary Henke, Mayor
John Romberg, Alderperson
Tom O'Connell, Alderperson
Ben Greuel, WWTP Chief Operator
Janet Searl, Administrative Assistant
John Faucher, New London Press Star

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

Motion by Steinhorst / Besaw to approve the agenda. Five voting aye. Motion carried.

2. WWTP Update. Ben asked the Board if they had any questions on his written report; there were none.

3. Approve Resolution for Vacation of the north end of Division Street. A property owner has requested that the City vacate the northern portion of Division Street right of way from Wolf River Avenue to the Wolf River. There will be a noted utility easement on this property once it is vacated.

Motion by Dean / Herter to introduce the Resolution to Vacate Public Right of Way [Remaining portion of the North end of Division Street]. There will be a Public Hearing and action on the Resolution at the November Council Meeting. Five voting aye. Motion carried.

4. Approve Wisconsin HWY 15 Bypass Resolution. Hortonville has sent a similar resolution to the State and asked us to approve and send one in support of keeping this project on schedule for 2018.

Motion Steinhorst / Herter to recommend to Council to approve a Resolution in Favor of Keeping the Highway 15 Bypass Project on Schedule. Five voting aye. Motion carried.

5. Approve Proposal for Snow Removal for City Parking Lots & Alleys. There were three bidders; Mid State turned in the low bid.

Motion Dean / Herter to recommend to Council to approve the proposal from Mid State for Snow Removal for City-owned Parking Lots and Alleys at a cost of \$90 (frontend loader), \$75 (utility tractor/skid steer), and \$65 (pickup truck w/plow). Five voting aye. Motion carried.

6. Approve Proposal for Snow Removal for Neglected Sidewalks. Bob & Dave's Lawn and Landscaping was the only company to turn in a proposal.

Motion Dean / Besaw to recommend to Council to approve the proposal from Bob & Dave's Lawn and Landscaping for Snow Removal for

Neglected Sidewalks at a cost of \$55 for first 100 feet and \$2 per foot over 100 feet per location. Five voting aye. Motion carried.

7. Approve Proposal for Snow Removal for Alley and Parking Lot between Lincoln Court and St. John's Street. Rowl's Auto Body submitted a proposal for the service they provided last year.

Motion Steinhorst / Herter to recommend to Council to approve the proposal from Rowl's Auto Body and Snow Plowing for a cost of \$65, plus \$40/ton for salting and \$35/load for removing snow piles. Five voting aye. Motion carried.

Discuss changing Lincoln Court Alley Direction. There is concern that when riders of the senior bus unload they have to cross the alley to access the buildings. The change would allow riders the ability to unload closer to the businesses.

Motion Herter / Dean to recommend to Council to change the direction of the flow of traffic on the Lincoln Court Alley from West to East. Five voting aye. Motion carried.

8. Discuss the Recycling Bin Issue. Bodoh provided quotes on the cost of recycling carts and information that he gathered from neighboring communities who have purchased and are using the carts. Bodoh recommends purchasing/delivering the carts in the spring of 2016, when summer interns will be available to assist with delivering the carts to City residents.

Motion Steinhorst / Herter to recommend to Council to approve the purchase of recycling carts for the citizens of New London. Five voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion Herter / Dean to recommend to Council to place a one-time charge for each household on the 2016 tax roll to recoup the cost of the recycling carts. Five voting aye. Motion carried.

Motion Besaw / Herter to recommend to Council to approve purchasing the recycling carts from Toter, having residents start out with a 96-gallon cart with the option to switch to the smaller 64-gallon cart after a 3-month trial. Five voting aye. Motion carried.

(Bodoh will provide updated costs of the carts at a future meeting in the spring of 2016).

9. Monthly Report of the Director/Other Matters. There were no questions on the Director's Report. Alderperson O'Connell expressed appreciation for fixing the curb in front of City Hall. Alderperson Dean stated she was getting complaints of the poor condition of some of the streets in the City. The Mayor stated the situation is being addressed in the next bonding issue.

10. Motion by Dean to adjourn the meeting at 5:17 p.m., second by Steinhorst. Motion carried by all.

Jeffrey Bodoh
Director of Public Works