

CITY OF PRESCOTT, WISCONSIN
October 24, 2022, PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a meeting of the Parks and Public Property Committee was held, October 24, 2022, Municipal Building, 800 Borner Street, Prescott, WI 54021.

Call to Order: Committee Chair John Peterson called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm. Members present were John Peterson, Bailey Ruona and Maureen Otwell. City Administrator Matt Wolf and Public Works Director Mike Kinneman represented staff. Also present was City Engineer Greg Adams with Cedar Corporation.

1. Approve Minutes for August 8, 2022.

Ruona motioned to approve the minutes for August 8, 2022, Otwell seconded, motion passed without a negative voice vote. (3-to-0)

2. Water Rate Study Proposal -Ehlers Financial

City Administrator Wolf presented on the Water Rate Study proposal received by Ehlers Financial. Committee Member Ruona asked if the City moved forward with the proposal if it would lock the City into a rate increase through the Public Service Commission. City Administrator Wolf stated that the City would just approve the 1st phase of the study, which is long range capital planning forecast, which would give the City an idea of any potential future increase before any submission would be made to the Public Service Commission.

Otwell motioned to send the 1st Phase of the Water Rate Study Proposal by Ehlers Financial for the amount of \$2,500 to Council for consideration. Ruona seconded; motion passed without a negative vote. (3-to-0).

3. Locust Street Design and Specifications Proposal

City Engineer Greg Adams discussed the Cedar Corporation proposal for the design and specifications for Locust Street reconstruction. Committee Member Ruona questioned if there was any sidewalk included in the bid. City Engineer Adams stated that he will have to look into that more closely based on the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan and that designs will be shared with Council. Committee Member Otwell inquired about new assessment policies that some communities have developed that allow for the whole City to be assessed. City Engineer Adams stated that he has heard of those assessment policies but that they have limited success as there are very limited projects that could be classified as having a benefit to the entire city per the assessment regulations.

Ruona motioned to send the Design and Specifications proposal by Cedar Corporation to Council for consideration at a cost of \$97,500. Otwell seconded; motion passed without a negative vote. (3-to-0).

4. Well #3 Update

City Administrator Wolf gave an update on the Well #3 work that was being done for remediation of the well. The Committee discussed online training that would allow the City to gain additional scoring points for the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program if 50% of the Committee completed the training. The Committee did not have any problems with doing the training by June of 2023.

5. Department of Transportation State Highway 35 & 10 Project Update

City Administrator Wolf presented on the update from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation on STH 35 with the request from the City for the addition of a multi-use path along the section of STH 35 going from downtown to Monroe Street. The WisDOT had notified the City that they were not willing to split the cost of the multi-use path at 80%/20% cost share but stated the City could pay for the difference from the original plan of just putting in a sidewalk along the curb edge, which was \$1,318,000. The Committee discussed this item and since the DOT is requesting the City take over maintenance of both STH 35 and USH 10 they requested that the DOT remove the northside curb along with the two 4' bike lanes allowing the DOT to construct a the multi-use path.

Ruona motioned to request the WisDOT remove the northside curb and gutter and move it 6'-8' over, thereby limiting the cost of the construction of a retaining for the addition of a multi-use path that would be 8'-10' in width. Otwell seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously 3-to-0.

6. Public Comments

None

7. Other Business

None

8. Adjourn

Ruona/Otwell motioned to adjourn passed, without a negative voice vote at 5:49 pm

Respectfully Submitted,



Matt Wolf
City Administrator