

MINUTES FOR PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

A Public Works Commission was held on **Wednesday, March 18, 2026 at 5:30 PM** in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 819 Superior Avenue, Tomah, WI.

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by John Glynn

Call to Order - Roll Call

Quorum Present (YES)

John Glynn (A), Dean Peterson (P), Patrick Devine (A), Brian Rice (P), Kerwin Greeno (P), Mayor Paul Dwyer (P Left early at 6:35 PM), Mitch Koel (P Arrive Late at 5:40 PM)

Also Present, Director Brandy Leis, Jeff Marten, Joe Kube, Chad Richmond, City Administrator Nick Morales, Brian Berquist and Nik Dorava from Town & Country.

Approve Minutes

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Rice to approve February minutes as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion Items

1. Airport Update

No Update

2. Request to Appear: Ryan Hallman

Motion by Peterson and seconded by Greeno to replace yield sign with a stop sign on the intersection of E Monroe and East Ave. All ayes. Motion carried.

3. Request to Appear: Monroe County Crime Stoppers

Monroe County Crime Stoppers is requested Public Works to install new Crime Stopper Signs within the parks in the City limits.

Motion by Rice and seconded by Greeno to approve the installation of the new Crime Stopper Signs. All ayes. Motion carried.

Agenda item will be referred to Parks and Rec. Commission to approve signs being placed in the parks.

4. Request to Appear: Tom Dummermuth – Director of Transportation TASD

Proposal #1: to complete Straw Street between Mark Ave. and to the frontage road on Superior Ave. to alleviate congestion on Mark Ave during peak school times.

Item will be placed on the 5–10-year plan in order to budget for such an expense. Director of Transportation Dummermuth will also ask TASD if there is any funding to help offset costs and look into grants as well.

Proposal #2: to add a stop sign on Jackson St at the intersection of Jackson and Butts to make the intersection an all way stop.

Item will be researched further and brought back to the Commission next month.

5. Request to Appear: Jeff Atteln – Queen of the Apostles

Proposal to remove the dirt and grass on the boulevard between Mclean and Hollister along W Monroe with poured concrete.

Motion by Koel and seconded by Peterson to table the item until Attorney Precour can process a legal review on liability. All ayes. Motion carried.

6. Discussion – PSC Conventional Rate Case

The last conventional rate case was done in 2006, and our auditors are suggesting water utilities do another full conventional rate case soon before the PSC requires one.

7. Discussion & Potential Action: One Time Leak Credit Adjustment

Motion by Rice and seconded by Greeno to discontinue the use of the one-time leak credit adjustment. 3 ayes and 1 nay by Koel. Motion carried

8. Approval: Easement for Alliant Energy

Motion by Peterson and seconded by Rice to approve the Alliant Energy Easement. Koel sustained. 3 Ayes. Motion Carried.

9. Discussion and Potential Action: Airport Hanger Fee Increase

Motion by Koel and seconded by Peterson to charge property tax on the land leased hangers and \$.25 per sq. feet. All ayes. Motion carried.

10. Discussion and Potential Action: Award of Contract for 2026 Superior Watermain Loop

Motion by Peterson and seconded by Koel to award contract to BKC Construction. All ayes. Motion carried.

11. Discussion and Potential Action: Award of Contract for 2026 Townline Road Lift Station Abandonment

Motion by Peterson and seconded by Greeno to award contract to Gerke Excavating. All ayes. Motion carried.

12. Discussion and Potential Action: Preliminary Resolution Declaring Intent to Levy Special Assessments.

Motion by Rice and seconded by Greeno to approve intent to levy special assessments. All ayes. Motion carried.

13. Project Updates

Pre-con meeting scheduled with Gerke's for the Hollister project. Hollister phase 2 started with surveying and few items to get a jump start.

14. Payment of Monthly Water & Sewer Bills

Motion by Peterson and seconded by Rice to approve the sewer bills as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Peterson and seconded by Koel to approve the water bills as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

15. Departmental Reports

Sewer – Average 1 MGD for February. Continuing maintenance projects with a little pain in buildings. Everything in the plant seems to be running smoothly. Helping the Street Department with snow removal as needed.

Water – March's average daily pumpage is 793,000 gallons per day. Scada program is not working correctly. LW Allen is working on getting this up and running. Fabick is coming to work on the generator at Well 11. The wind blew the hatch open at the water tower, Lane Tank is coming to

shut this hatch. Spring hydrant flush is scheduled for April 13th -17th 2026. Starting to receive bids to install steel roofs on Well 11 and Well 12.

Public Works – Street Department has been busy with snow removal on the recent snowstorm. Working on tree removal for the Hollister project. Seal coat bids will be proposed next month. New motor for the Dam was received and will be installed soon.

16. Director's Report

The land rental agreement for the Well has been signed and submitted to the DNR. Working on an agreement with a farmer that will state what can and can not be planted if rented. Handling complaints with snow removal and mailboxes.

Next Meeting will be held on Wednesday April 22, 2026 at 5:30 PM

Adjourn

Motion by Peterson and seconded by Rice to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 PM. All ayes. Motion carried.