

MINUTES FOR PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

A Public Works Commission was held on **Wednesday, November 22, 2023 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 Lamont Kiefer

Call to Order - Roll Call

Quorum Present (YES)

John Glynn (P), Dean Peterson (A), Lamont Kiefer (P), Brian Rice (P), Kerwin Greeno (P),

Mayor Mike Murray (A), Nicole Hart (P)

Also present, Director Kirk Arity (P), Joe Kube (P), Mark Rezin (P), Brian Berquist (P)

Approve Minutes

October 2023 Minutes - Motion 1st by Glynn, 2nd by Rice. All ayes. Motioned carried.

Discussion Items

1. Airport Update

No update from Steve Austin

2. Review and recommendation on Airport Height Limitation Permit submitted by Wieser Bros. to erect a crane at 1620 Winnebago Ave. for the construction of a building addition

Director Arity gave a brief background. Contractor is aware of the process and understands that they need to go to the appeals process to get a variance.

Motion to deny the Airport Height Limitation Permit for Wieser Brothers by Glynn, second by Hart. All ayes. Motion carried.

3. Easement Approval

Motion to grant easement for Alliant by Greeno, second by Glynn. All ayes. Motion carried.

4. Project Updates

ET project information meeting in February 2024.

5. Building Code/Violation Report

Reviewed by commission. Updates look great.

6. Payment of Monthly Water & Sewer Bills

Sewer- 1st by Kiefer, 2nd by Rice to approve water bills as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Water- 1st by Kiefer, 2nd by Greeno to approve water bills as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

7. Departmental Reports

a. **Sewer-** Lab audit went well. Elbow leaking in basement of grit building, got it fixed. Lift station is also leaking, maintenance scheduled for next week. Cleaned out the shed and hauled 45 loads. Town & Country meeting with Toro proposed for December, usually PD complains of a smell in their garage area. Will smoke the sewers to see if there is a leak in a sewer line. Still at 1 million gallons a day.

b. **Water-** 1.1 million gallons a day. VA has high usage. Hydrant lead flushed and maintenance for winter done. Bulk water fill improvements. Pipe material has been going really well. No leaks or main breaks.

c. **Public Works-** Leaf Vac is out. Tree trimming around town. Getting equipment ready for snow. At final phase of ditching at airport and the lights. Helping Protz with old fire station.

8. Director's Report

Garbage and recycling schedule finalized. Getting quotes on chip sealing. Emphasis on safety training this year for the departments.

9. Future Meeting Date: December 27, 2023

Adjourn1st by Glynn, 2nd by Rice at 6:02 PM. All ayes. Motion approved.