MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
Tuesday, February 23, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Public Works held on February 23, 2021 at 7:30 a.m. in the City Council Chambers located at 405 Jefferson Street, Washington, Missouri. The following were present/absent:

MEMBERS:		
Chairman	John Vietmeier	Present
Member	Brad Mitchell	Present
Member	Mike Radetic	Present
Member	Steve Richardson	Present
Ex-officio Member	Steve Strubberg	Absent
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OTHERS:		
Council Representative	Steve Sullentrup	Absent
Council Representative	Mark Wessels	Present
Mayor	Sandy Lucy	Absent
City Administrator	Daren Lamb	Present
Water/Wastewater Superintendent	Kevin Quaethem	Present
Water/Wastewater Secretary	Beverly Hoyt	Present
Public Works Director	John Nilges	Present
Assistant City Engineer	Andrea Lueken	Absent
Emergency Management Director	Mark Skornia	Absent
Fire Chief	Tim Frankenberg	Absent

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Minutes

Motion made by Mr. Mitchell and seconded by Mr. Radetic to approve the minutes from the regular January 26, 2021 meeting. The motion passed without dissent.

Priority Items

There are no priority items.

Water

During the month of February, we had approximately ten (10) water main breaks that occurred. Crews worked diligently to get them done in a timely manner and did a great job. Repairs to the streets will be done as quickly and weather permitting as possible.

Water lines that have breaks are not slip lined only sewer lines can be slip lined.

Budget reserve funds. Rate increase took ten years of expenses. Current expenses going forward do not generate enough revenue to operate and maintain. We need to re-evaluate and budget. Last rate increase was 2012. The increase was not enough to do everything needed. We need to plan better for upcoming projects.

Sales Tax for Enterprise Project – Water Tower – Sewer system, and labor. Maps of all water breaks are kept at the Public Works and Engineering. Need funds for street and water line repairs (110 miles to 112 miles). Jefferson Street West to Park – Cast Iron pipes, Downtown – to Highway 47 to Front Street. Water and service lines, curb and sidewalk – costs to put back.

Shut offs – We will have crews working on shut offs today. Approximately 69 residents on the list are two-months behind and crews will be working to shut off. We are actually getting back to semi-normal.

Budget Overtime – Out of Budget, labor
The snowplows were working on twelve (12) hour shifts to keep the roads clean. The water breaks, during a holiday. We cannot operate without sharing employees. That is what makes this all run smoothly. Crews worked together to keep the roads clean

Wastewater

Everything is running good, nothing going on.

Water Code Ordinance

This ordinance would allow customers to hook up outside of City limits to be charged two hundred percent (200%) of the rates for all water and water-related services provided to all establishments residing within the City Limits.

Motion made by Mr. Radetic and seconded by Mr. Mitchell to approve Ordinance. The motion passed without dissent.

Old Business

Meadow Lake – Still using Districts water and paying City rates. We are still waiting on quotes for the pipe and fusion equipment to go under highway. We will also need better weather from start to finish. This will take approximately a month to complete. Pottery Road will be down to one lane every day while project is ongoing. We are trying to do as much in-house as we can. This will be good training for our laborers on the fusion equipment.

Water Tower – Still in the works – ground floor phases at this time.

Next Scheduled Meeting Date

The next scheduled meeting date is March 23, 2021.

Adjourn

There being no further business the meeting adjourned on a motion by Mr. Radetic and seconded by Mr. Mitchell. All in favor aye, those oppose. We are adjourned.

Prepared by: Beverly Hoyt
Beverly Hoyt
Water/Wastewater Secretary

Adopted and Approved by the Board of Public Works:

Date: March 23, 2021 Signature: [signature] DDS
Secretary