Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, September 10, 2020
Time: 4:30 p.m.
Location: 2800 Ward Ave, La Crosse, WI 54601
PRESENT: Commissioners: Kurt Knutson, Steve Lundsten, Tim Ehler (4:55 p.m.); Chairman Candahl. Staff: Christina Peterson, Dan Odeen
ATTENDANCE LIST: none

1. Call to Order at 4:32 p.m. by Chairperson Kurt Knutson.

2. Minutes. Motion by Knutson to approve minutes from 8/27/2020, second by Lundsten. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Citizens’ Concerns. None

4. Arbor Hills Well Project Schedule and PSC Application Update. Peterson and Sara Jarr were on a conference call with Ehlers and PSC today. PSC is proposing a two step increase. One increase could by approved by the end of this year. The second step cannot be implemented until the asset is put in service. The PSC is proposing that only the Well 2 asset will be used in analyzing the step two increase since Well 1 rehabilitation will not be complete until later in 2021, past their 6 months-out policy. A future rate increase application may be necessary to cover debt for Well 1 unless an appeal to the PSC to include it in step two of this application is successful.

5. Arbor Hills Well Project Pay Application #4 Olympic Builders. Motion by Knutson to approve, second by Lundsten. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Arbor Hills Well Project Change Order #4 Olympic Builders. Motion by Lundsten to approve change order #4 ($1,310.00) related to a 50/50 split of the increase in generator cost, second by Knutson. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Public Works Report. Peterson and Odeen pointed out the existing Town Ordinance regarding connections to public sewer. Staff will continue to develop an inspection program for illegal connections to the sewer. Odeen reported he is working on getting additional sewer lines televised (approx. 2700 LF) – Boma and Irish Ct. Odeen will be dropping off test kits for lead/copper testing. Peterson and Odeen have been exploring options to update the water system map and receive data in a format to start a GIS system. Peterson thought the cost would range between $1,500-$2,000.

8. Chairperson/Commissioners Reports. Ehler touched base regarding Sewer Agreement progress. Knutson gave a recap of meeting items.

9. Motion by Knutson to adjourn 5:07 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Next meeting will be 9/24/2020 @ 4:30 p.m. Respectfully Submitted, Christina Peterson, Town Administrator