

Village of Boyceville Public Works & Facilities Committee Meeting

Monday, March 27th, 2023

5:00 PM

Village Hall-1233 Charlotte St, Boyceville, WI

Minutes

Attendance: Sonya Zebro, Lukas Montgomery, Jonathan Farrell, Brittany Halvorson, Eric Barclay (MSA Professionals), Don Rose, Pat Morrow (via Teams), Mike Bischel (Ohly)

Meeting called to order at 5:00 PM

1. Updates from Ohly:
 - a. Water hammer-Planning on tackling last 2 weeks of April.
 - b. Approval of the Sewer Use and Discharge Agreement-Hoping to get done this week. Employed Cooper Engineering out of Rice Lake to assist, as well as legal.
 - c. Planning and installation of pH balancing tanks-Just getting rolling. Going through detailed engineering and get composite sample. Possibly start in January 2024

2. Discussion regarding MSA completing a review/determination of current treatment costs for various waste components (Phosphorus, BOD, etc.) and the current industry/residential sewer contribution ratios-Pat Morrow, spoke via teams. Goal is to look at all data and see what it costs, then breakdown by individual components. The frequency of review is expected to be every five to 10 years. Pat presented on the professional services agreement. The committee will bring to board for further review and action.

3. Discuss having commercial realtor working with the railroad to purchase the land that lift station #1 sits on-Jonathan reached out to our realtor, and in response he sent an amendment to our contract for a fee not to exceed \$500.00. The thought is to get the document drafted, have MSA take another look at it, let us look at it, let the property owner look at it, then hand it off to our realtor and negotiate with the property owner.

4. Discussion on easement at 700 Main Street- MSA to give language and dimensions of the space that would be needed. Once complete, send to lawyer and our real estate agent to negotiate with property owner.

5. Discussion on water tower inspections and timing of repairs and repainting- Dive inspection this year, will find out more after that.

6. Discussion on getting generator(s) for one or more lift stations and one or more well houses- Don mentioned that the money in the sewer fund could be used to purchase one or two generators. It was decided that they would reach out to Eric to verify the sizing from the electrician and investigate the cost of engineering, sizing, and elevations. The committee decided to bring the idea to the board meeting to discuss further.

7. Discussion on repair work needed on Duffy Street bridge deck-MSA to bid out.
8. Discussion on replacing Pafko Park lights and reaching out to school for a possible match using community education funds-Jonathan to reach out to Nick Kaiser at the school for possible funding or matching of funds to help in the replacement of lights.
9. Discussion/Possible recommendation to the Board on increasing the treatment charge for BOD, TSS and Phosphorus and the dumping charges for haulers by 25 percent- It was proposed that the board consider increasing the treatment charge for BOD, TSS and Phosphorus and the dumping charges for haulers by 25 percent. It was also suggested that this should be added to the fee schedule and that the motion should include increasing the liability insurance to \$2 million instead of the current \$1 million. Jonathan agreed and suggested that this should be discussed at the next board meeting and that he would work on the motion and ordinance language to make the necessary changes.
10. Discussion on repairing F350 or placing the insurance money in an outlay for a new truck- The committee discussed the idea of repairing the F350 or using the insurance money in the truck outlay account to purchase a new vehicle in the next few years. The damaged truck is still operational and serves its purpose. The committee felt it best to put the insurance money into the outlay account but would like to bring to the next board meeting for discussion.
11. Discussion on resident's inquiry regarding installing a sand point well- Don brought up the inquiry from a resident regarding installing a sand point well to water their garden. The intent of the ordinance on well permitting was to permit only existing wells that did not have access to municipal water. Don also pointed out that the proposed area is in the wellhead protection area. The committee delegated Don and Brittany to respond to the resident with an email that explains the intent of the ordinance, and also explain the seasonal rates we receive on water bills.
12. Discussion on recommend change to Chapter 9 of the Village's Ordinances: removing reference to unmetered water utility services- Jonathan committed to marking up chapter 9 with proposed changes. At that time, we will bring it to the board for approval.
13. Discussion on street maintenance that will be required to address the excessive amount of potholes in some areas- As with most places in the state, the streets sustained some damage this winter and are in need of repair. Going over budget is a strong possibility. Clerk brought up why the approx. \$80,000 we get for transportation aids is not all going to street maintenance. Something that will need to be investigated.
14. Discussion on sludge removal from the ponds- Some discussion was had on a new company that would introduce a bacteria that eats the sludge in place. It's not been done in Wisconsin yet so more information needs to be studied as its not DNR approved yet. Will discuss again at next meeting.

SZebro motion to adjourn, JFarrell seconded. Meeting adjourned at 6:28 PM.

Brittany Halvorson-Village Clerk Treasurer March 30th, 2023