# CITY OF CEDARBURG PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWERAGE COMMISSION May 14, 2020

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A meeting of the Public Works and Sewerage Commission of the City of Cedarburg, Wisconsin, was held Thursday May 14, 2020. This meeting was held online utilizing the zoom app. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Michael O'Keefe

Roll Call: Present - Ryan Hammetter, Mayor Michael O'Keefe, Charles

Schumacher, Council Member Kristin Burkart, Judy Guse, Sandra Beck, Bob Dries, Bill Oakes, Gary

Graham

Also Present - Director of Engineering Tom Wiza, Secretary Kim

Esselmann, Cedarburg Water Recycling Center Superintendent Eric Hackert, Cedarburg Water Recycling Center Lead Operator Dennis Grulkowski, Waste Management representatives Tony Knoeck, Resident Kristin Boernstein, County Highway

Commissioner Jon Edgren

## STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE

Secretary Esselmann confirmed that proper legal notice of the meeting had been given.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion made by Commissioner Guse, seconded Commissioner Oakes, to approve the minutes of March 12, 2020. The motion carried unanimously.

## **COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS**

No comments or suggestions were offered at this time.

# <u>DISCUSS WASTE MANAGEMENT CONTRCT EXTENSION PROPOSAL FOR</u> REFUSE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION; AND ACTION THEREON

Director Wiza discussed the refuse and recycling service, including implementing a twocart automated pickup system, using 96-gallon containers as the default container and providing 64-gallon garbage bins upon request.

With prior months of discussing these considerations with Waste Management, they offered a 5-year contract extension with a few different options. Option 1 is for basically status quo collection of 6-32-gallon containers or bags and option 2 is for two cart

automated refuse collection.

Waste Management also proposes to offer free curbside pickup of bulky waste items for one week per year. This would be done on a call-in basis with certain limitations on the items they will pick up.

At the March meeting, Commissioner Guse requested that the 4% minimum annual CPI increase be amended to 3% and Commissioner Schumacher suggested a 7-year contract term. Staff discussed these amendments with Waste Management and Tony Knoeck verbally stated they could agree to those changes.

We currently pay \$9.24/month for refuse pickup and \$4.41/month for bi-weekly recycling pickup. Garbage carts will be delivered, by Waste Management, during the months of October and November but the new contract would be effective January 1, 2021.

Motion made by Commissioner Oakes, seconded by Commissioner Guse, to recommend to the Council to approve the proposed 7-year contract with a CPI 3% minimum and a 4% maximum. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Graham abstaining.

# CONSIDER REQUEST TO REMOVE A SPLIT RAIL FENCE BORDERING CITY SIDEWALK ADJACENT TO N65 W7295 CLEVELAND STREET; AND ACTION THEREON

Director Wiza stated that Kristen Bornstein lives immediately adjacent to the public sidewalk that connects Webster School property to the Cleveland Street/ Locust Avenue intersection. This sidewalk is often used by Webster Middle School students going to and from school.

Kristen Bornstein states she feels that the fence is causing students to congregate in this area by sitting on the fence and leaving trash thrown about. She is requesting permission from the City to remove the fence.

The City originally required the subdivision developer, Barbara Duchow, to install the split rail fence approximately 20 years ago.

If approved, the resident and Barbara Duchow would have full responsibility for removing and disposing of the fence, as well as any lawn restoration.

Motion made by Commissioner Beck, seconded Commissioner Hammetter, to allow Kristen Bornstein and or the HOA to remove the split rail fence. The motion carried unanimously.

# <u>DISCUSS SAFETY CONCERNS AT THE PIONEER ROAD/INTERURBAN TRAIL</u> <u>CROSSING; AND ACTION THEREON</u>

Director Wiza stated that Council Member Burkart asked that this item be placed on the Public Works and Sewerage Commission agenda for discussion. Approximately a year ago there was a fatality at this crossing, and while there are several well worded warning and directional signs in place, questions remain if something more should be done.

County Highway Commissioner Jon Edgren is in attendance, although he advised the County has nothing budgeted for crossing improvements. The grant monies received were only for paving the trail.

No action was taken on this agenda item

# PRESENTAION OF THE COMPLIANCE MAINTENANCE ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE CEDARBURG WATER RECYCLING CENTER; AND ACTION THEREON

Superintendent Hackert presented his Compliance Maintenance Annual Report for the treatment plant. Superintendent Hackert stated the plant received all A's but it is an aging plant. The plant is at full staff. Last year there were only ten sewer back up's compared to eighteen back up's the previous year. This was presented to the Common Council on May 11<sup>th</sup>.

No action taken on this agenda item

#### **REPORTS**

#### **Update on Public Works Operations**

Superintendent Bublitz updated the Commissioners that Public Works is currently doing a little bit of everything from crack sealing to moving items from the Hwy 60 location. The department is not up to full staff, as part-time staff will not start until June 1. With that said, every department is cutting grass.

The City had suspended appliance and furniture pick up, but we will be starting back up on May 18<sup>th.</sup> The list is extremely long and the City may have to pick up on Tuesday also.

### **Update on Water Recycling Plant Operations and Discussion of Monthly Reports**

Superintendent Hackert reported that the Highland Road lift station is complete, except for some minor landscaping.

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### **Identify Future Agenda Items**

Secretary Esselmann requested the Commission look at additional and or updated wording to the cemetery ordinance regarding very vague wording on removal and disposal of natural or fake wreaths or floral arrangements.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Commissioner Oakes, seconded by Commissioner Beck, to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 p.m. The motion carried unanimously

Kim Esselmann
Building Inspection/Public Works Secretary