

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS OF THE CITY OF  
CUDAHY, WI HELD AT THE CUDAHY MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 5050 SOUTH LAKE  
DRIVE, CUDAHY, WI ON

Monday, September 23, 2013 @ 5:30 PM

**ROLL CALL**

The Meeting was called to order by Ald Litkowiec at 5:32 P.M. with the following answering “present” to roll call: Ald Hollenbeck, Mr. Clark, Mr. Lohr & Mr. Loferski.

Also Present: DPW Director Mary Jo Lange & DPW Superintendent Luke Stern,

Proper open meeting statement was made at this time.

Motion made by Lohr, seconded by Clark to approve the Minutes of the July 29, 2013 Meeting. All voted in favor.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Discussion & direction regarding requests of property owners to remove and replace deteriorate asphalt on property owner’s driveway apron. Request submitted by Mayor John Hohenfeldt.** Lange told the Board that residents are requesting the Department of Public Works to make repairs to driveway aprons where the City filled in with asphalt as part of an overlay project. In the past when the City did a maintenance overlay, they would overlay the curb and then have to overlay a portion of the property owner’s concrete apron to make the transition from the new overlay into the driveway. As happens when you overlay concrete, the asphalt breaks off over time. The overlay is about 20 years old and the concrete underneath is about 70. Lange stated that both are over their predicted life cycle. Lange has been telling property owners that the City will not repair it as they are responsible for the maintenance of their driveway approach. Lange stated that they don’t like that answer and then they go to the Mayor. Lange stated that there is not money budgeted for these types of repairs and if you do it for one you have to do it for everyone. Lange presented 3 options. One of which was to do nothing. Lange stated that there is a long standing ordinance that requires the cost to install and maintain a driveway apron to be the property owner’s responsibility. Typically if the City does the work in a driveway apron they special assess for it. Lange asked the Board if they wanted to have the ordinance changed that would allow the City to make said repairs without charging the property owner. The other option is to continue following the established ordinance & tell property owners that it is their responsibility to maintain & replace. Lange stated that when the Department does an overly now, they notify the resident telling them that their driveway will be overlaid or they have the option to have it redone in concrete and the City will special assess them. About 40% of the residents have their driveway aprons redone so that they butt up against the new

overlay. Motion was made by Lohr and seconded by Clark to have the Department follow the current ordinance and inform property owners that the City is not responsible to repair or replace it. All voted in favor.

- 2. Discussion & action regarding the alternatives to include in the bid for solid waste disposal.** Lange stated there are about six alternatives for the Solid Waste Proposal. Lange asked the Board to review the alternatives and if there is one that they are strongly against, Lange asked that they take action to eliminate. The alternatives were: No Change, City Hauls to Landfill & manages Drop-Off Site, City collects & Contractor manages Transfer Site, Contractor Collects & Disposes but City manages Drop Off Site & hauls to Contractor's landfill, Contractor collects, disposes and operates Drop -Off Site but building is not used and City does Spring Clean-up, Contractor collects, disposes and handles special pick-up for rubbish. City provides yard waste pick-up in spring and with leaf collection in fall and hauls to landfill with Transfer Station & Drop Off site utilized by Sewer Utility.

Lange stated that she realizes some of the proposals will be controversial and there is a lot of time for both herself and the contractor(s) to analyze each proposal. Member Lohr stated that he doesn't like a proposal that would eliminate employees from the Department. He stated that the Public Works Department has been cut so much that he doesn't want to see that happen again. Members asked if the proposal could include an alternative that the Contractor takes everything at the curb. This would eliminate the cart and allow residents to put extra rubbish out. Motion made by Lohr to accept alternatives with the addition of an alternative where the Contractor picks up everything at the curb. Motion seconded by Clark, all voted in favor.
- 3. Update on alley condition report.** Lange gave an update as to the status of the project. No action was necessary.
- 4. Update on DPW hiring process for 3 replacement positions.** Lange stated that two employees are retiring in December and the Department will be trying to hire a Chief mechanic. The Chief Mechanic or Fleet Maintenance Supervisor was put on hold but was budgeted in 2013. No action was necessary.
- 5. Information regarding fall leaf collection.** Lange gave information to the Board regarding when leaf collection was going to take place. No Action was necessary.

Motion made by Lohr seconded by Clark to adjourn meeting. All voted in favor.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:51 p.m.