



Common Council Chambers
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Robert Cigale
Curtis Czarnecki
Kenneth Gehl
Chris Guzikowski
Fredrick Siepert- Alternate
Rich Duchniak

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND CAPITAL ASSETS

February 14, 2023
9:00 A.M.

The City's Vision

Oak Creek: A dynamic regional leader, connected to our community, driving the future of the south shore.

1. Call Meeting to Order.

Alderman Guzikowski called meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

2. Roll Call.

All Board Members were present.

Also present: City Engineer Matt Sullivan, Utility General Manager Mike Sullivan, Director of Public Works Matt Trebatoski, Designer Engineer Andrew Ledger, and Management Assistant Carly Persson.

3. Approval of Minutes – 1/10/2023

Board Member Cigale made a motion to approve the minutes of January 10, 2023, seconded by Alderman Duchniak. Board Member Siepert abstained. All aye, motion carried.

4. **Informational:** Review of Common Council actions related to Public Works & Capital Assets.

Carly Persson noted the approval of MMSD funding for the Oak Creek Police Department and Abendschein Park parking lot projects. A Plan of Finance was presented and approved for various lakefront projects and also the Drexel Ave. storm water lift station project. Phase one design of Drexel Ave. streetscape improvements was awarded to Graef in an amount not to exceed \$165,000. The Engineering Department was approved to enter into a design contract for the 6th St. bridge replacement.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT CAPITAL ASSETS

None

PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES

5. **Motion:** Consider a *motion* to enter into a contract with raSmith for the design and soil borings for the S. 6th St. and W. Marquette Ave. water relay in the amount not to exceed \$162,500.

Utility General Manager Sullivan stated this is part of the 6th St. bridge design and its need to go forward because of bad water main and materials.

Alderman Duchniak made a motion to enter into contract with raSmith for the design and soil borings for the S. 6th St. and W. Marquette Ave. water relay in the amount not to exceed \$162,500, seconded by Board Member Cigale. All voted aye, motion carried.

6. **Motion:** Consider a *motion* to approve Utility vouchers for payment for the remainder of 2022 in the amount of \$939,533.50.

Board Member Czarnecki made a motion to approve Utility vouchers for payment for the remainder of 2022 in the amount of \$939,533.50, seconded by Alderman Gehl. All aye, motion carried.

7. **Motion:** Consider a *motion* to approve Utility vouchers for payment for 2023 in the amount of \$314,969.35.

Alderman Gehl made a motion to approve the Utility vouchers for payment for 2023 in the amount of \$314,969.35, seconded by Alderman Duchniak. All voted aye, motion carried.

8. **Informational:** Administrative and Operations reports.

Utility General Manager Sullivan noted there was a water main break on Sunset Ave. and continues to be worked on. He answered questions about a software regarding finding leaks and it is an ongoing review of the software.

City Engineer Sullivan stated he provided the Board a schedule of projects that will be going on at the lakefront this year, which includes the revetment and stabilization of the bluffs, demolition of the former Peter Cooper building, and planning for a ribbon park. He also talked about filling a Building Inspector position and the vacancy of the Storm water Engineer position.

CAPITAL ASSETS

9. **Motion:** Consider a *motion* to approve the purchase of crowd control equipment to outfit six (6) Police personnel as part of the Mobile Incident Response Team (MIRT) in the amount of \$47,794.74.

Captain Stecker explained the need of the equipment and the increase in the cost.

Board Member Czarnecki made a motion to approve the purchase of crowd control equipment to outfit six (6) Police personnel as part of the Mobile Incident Response Team (MIRT) in the amount of \$47,794.74, seconded by Alderman Gehl. All voted aye, motion carried.

TRAFFIC & SAFETY

10. **Motion:** Consider a *motion* to approve the installation of “No Stopping, No Standing, No Parking” signs on E. Marquette Ave. across from Manor Marquette Park (1st Aldermanic District).

Alderman Kurkowski stated he was approached by a few residents and has been out to the area and noted the traffic flow gets very narrow in that area and people are parking on residents’ properties.

Robert Dominski, 712 E. Marquette Ave., lives across the park and provided some description of the parking situation.

City Engineer Sullivan stated the signs would be located on the north side of road. He explained the difference between no stopping and no standing.

Alderman Kurkowski responded there have been no complaints from residents that live on Quincy Ave. Quincy Ave. is curbed whereas Marquette Ave. is not.

Alderman Duchniak made a motion to approve the installation of “No Stopping, No Standing, No Parking” signs on E. Marquette Ave. across from Manor Marquette Park, seconded by Board Member Czarnecki. All voted aye, motion carried.

11. **Motion:** Consider a *motion* to recommend proceeding with a design of a preferred alternative for the reconstruction of the intersection of W. Puetz Rd., S. Liberty Ln., and S. Wood Creek Dr.

City Engineer Sullivan went into details of the intersection and the different alternatives of the improvements for the intersection.

The Board and City Engineer Sullivan discussed the railroad crossing, how it would work with the traffic signals versus the roundabout.

Board Member Siepert stated he thinks the roundabout is a good idea.

City Engineer Sullivan talked about the project’s estimated cost for each of the designs.

City Engineer Sullivan stated that, in his opinion, doing the counters would not change the numbers because Puetz Rd. does not have an interchange and it is a residential area. He answered about options to alert drivers of a roundabout. He talked about the increase percentage in traffic projection and how traffic signals during non-peak hours would frustrate drivers. He talked about the frequently asked questions from the Department of Transportation’s website.

City Engineer Sullivan replied how the roundabout would be built, the semi-trucks using the Puetz Rd., funding, and the accident history with traffic signals. The design would start this year with construction to happen in as early as 2024. He mentioned it would be like the roundabout on S. 51st St. and W. Drexel Ave. in the City of Franklin.

Alderman Guzikowski stated he is not a big fan of roundabouts and based on the information provided, he can see why it would be the best option and it would help the traffic flow.

There was talk about Puetz Rd. becoming a four-lane road all the way to the lakefront, but City Engineer Sullivan stated widening is very challenging and well into the future if required. He stated the City has been developed differently than originally planned years ago.

Alderman Duchniak made a motion to recommend proceeding with the design of the roundabout for the reconstruction of the intersection of W. Puetz Rd., S. Liberty Ln., and S. Wood Creek Dr., seconded by Board Member Cigale. All vote aye, motion carried.

12. **Motion:** Consider a *motion* to approve the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) customer rates for 2023.

Utility General Manager Sullivan explained the rates set forth by MMSD.

Alderman Gehl made a motion to approve the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) customer rates for 2023, seconded by Alderman Duchniak. All voted aye, motion carried.

13. Adjournment

Alderman Gehl made a motion to adjourn at 10:28 a.m., seconded by Alderman Duchniak. All aye, motion carried.

Dated this 20th day of February, 2023.

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