



**Common Council Chambers**  
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Oak Creek, WI 53154  
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Robert Cigale  
Curtis Czarnecki  
Kenneth Gehl  
Chris Guzikowski  
Fredrick Siepert- Alternate  
Rich Duchniak

## BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND CAPITAL ASSETS

**March 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.
2. Roll Call.

All Board Members were present with the exception of Alderman Duchniak.

Also present: City Engineer Matt Sullivan, Utility General Manager Mike Sullivan, Utility Engineer Brian Johnston, Police Chief Dave Stecker, and Management Assistant Carly Persson.

3. Approval of Minutes – 02/14/2023

*Board Member Cigale made a motion to approve the minutes of February 14, 2023, seconded by Board Member Siepert. All voted aye, motion carried.*

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

Carly Persson noted the Common Council approved the Plan of Finance to borrow \$14.83 million for projects including the bluff stabilization along Lake Michigan, the North Bluff Park, replacing the storm water lift station on Drexel Ave., and some infrastructure in the Lakeshore Commons development. The debt will be paid from TID 13 and storm water utility funds. The approval of phase 1 Drexel Streetscape will begin at S. Ikea Way eastbound towards the railroad tracks and eventually to Howell Ave. in the future. The North Bluff Park plan was presented at the February 20<sup>th</sup> Common Council Meeting. With the feedback from the public survey, the Common Council will look at the plan in April or May. Stabilization of the bluff will begin this year. The design phase for the roundabout on W. Puetz Rd., S. Liberty Lane, and Woodcreek Dr. intersection was approved. A development agreement was approved which will provide TIF assistance for the construction of 28 townhomes and a 132-unit apartment building Lakeshore Commons neighborhood.

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT CAPITAL ASSETS

None

### PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES

5. **Motion:** Consider a *motion* to approve progress payments No. 3 and 4 for the PLC Replacement project at the water treatment plant to Next Electric in the amount of \$83,650.

Utility General Manager Mike Sullivan explained that wrong parts were ordered, and the correct parts have been ordered but the project is progressing.

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6. **Motion:** Consider a *motion* to approve Utility vouchers for payment in the amount of \$665,166.39.

Board Member Czarnecki asked about the Cedar Corp. inspections. Utility General Manager Sullivan answered it is for the development and the developer will be taking on the cost of the inspections.

*Board Member Siepert made a motion to approve Utility vouchers for payment in the amount of \$665,166.39, seconded by Alderman Gehl. All voted aye, motion carried.*

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

Utility General Manager Sullivan mentioned the Forest Hill Manor water main relay is underway and making good progress. Described the repair for the hydrant and lateral in front of Edgewood School. He also mentioned staff participation in the WI WWOA Seminar. Board Member Czarnecki commented on the staffs' participation in the WI WWOA and stated the staff are very well respected and they represented the community very well.

8. **Discussion:** Howell Ave. water relay project and timeline.

Utility Engineer Brian Johnston stated the project will begin at the end of March with construction taking place in April. He talked briefly about options for road closures to minimize the traffic disruptions in the northbound lanes. Groveland Dr. to Drexel Ave., intersections will be closed in various phases and Howell Ave. is planned to be down to one lane from May to August. There will be a public information meeting on March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023. Notification was sent to residents, within 300 feet and other targeted areas.

## CAPITAL ASSETS

None

## TRAFFIC & SAFETY

9. **Motion:** Consider a *motion* to approve the placement of temporary parking signs on W. Clock Tower Place and W. Town Square Way, restricting parking from 5am-2pm on Saturdays throughout the season while the farmers market is held.

Police Chief Stecker talked about the issues and the process with getting the cars moved in time for the Farmer Market on Saturdays.

*Board Member Czarnecki made a motion to approve the placement of temporary parking signs on W. Clock Tower Place and W. Town Square Way, restricting parking from 5am-2pm on Saturdays*

*throughout the season while the Farmers Market is held, seconded by Alderman Gehl. All voted aye, motion carried.*

10. **Motion:** Consider a *motion* to approve the installation of "No Parking, No Stopping, No Standing 7 am – 4 pm School Days" along the north/west side of W. Sycamore Avenue/S. 22<sup>nd</sup> Street and update existing "No Parking Anytime" signs along the south/east side of W. Sycamore Avenue/S. 22<sup>nd</sup> Street.

City Engineer Sullivan explained the request for the signage near Cedar Hills School and that a few residents had reached out opposing the proposal. The school district was considering reducing the timeframe to 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm after talking with some of the residents that would be affected. Other schools in the City also have some parking restrictions near the building.

Discussion ensued between the Board Members about the signs. Some Board Members felt that it is the responsibility of the school district to find other alternatives.

Police Chief Stecker explained the issues with enforcing the rules of these types of signs. It is usually very difficult to enforce unless there is an officer in the area to witness during the timeframe and they do not have the staffing available to do that.

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#### 1. Adjournment

*Alderman Gehl made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Board Member Czarnecki. All aye, motion carried.*

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023.

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