



MINUTES OF AN OFFICIAL MEETING

Regular Meeting of: Water and Sewer Board

Date and Time: Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at 7:00 pm

Location: City Hall Council Chambers, 2000 North Calhoun Road, Brookfield WI

Members Present: Alderman Christopher Blackburn (Chairman), Alderman Bill Carnell, Alderman Kris Seals, Alderman Tom Szews

Others Present: Director of Public Works - Thomas M Grisa, City Engineer - Dan Erickson, Alderman Mike Hallquist, Alderman Rick Owen, Alderman Scott Berg

Members Absent/Excused: Alderman Chuck Bloom III

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1. Roll Call

Alderman Chris Blackburn noted a quorum present and called the Water and Sewer Board to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Announcements

- a. The next regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday August 8, 2023 @ 7:00 pm

3. Approval of Minutes

- a. Minutes of the June 13, 2023 Water and Sewer Board meeting.

Motion by Alderman Bill Carnell, second by Alderman Tom Szews to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2023 Water and Sewer Board meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

4. Unfinished Business

- a. None

5. New Business

- a. 2024-2028 Capital Improvements Plan for sanitary sewers, wastewater treatment plant and water utility

Alderman Blackburn commented on the Brookfield Square interceptor sewer. Brookfield Square is served now and if the property owners want to continue with the uses they have there is capacity. However, if they want to change the capacity that should not be at the cost of the taxpayers.

Mr. Grisa replied it is important to show a developer the City has interest in their success in order to incent the developer to move forward with their project.

Alderman Carnell commented the interceptor benefits more than just the development.

Mr. Erickson added that there is a segment of pipe of the Brookfield Square interceptor that is in poor condition. If the City did not have a developer interested in the area the City would be responsible for the full cost of maintenance repair. Alderman Szews asked if the City has an idea of what it would cost for current repairs to the area that Mr. Erickson indicated needed maintenance. Mr. Grisa surmised the costs would range between \$100,000 and \$500,000 depending on the type of repair.

Alderman Szews asked if the Board were to approve the Capital Improvements Plan is the City obligated to construct the improvements and use the funding sources at the ratios identified in the plan. Mr. Grisa commented that the CIP is routinely modified and he did not believe there was any obligation to do as specified. Alderman Szews requested a legal review of this to give the Board more comfort on whatever is approved.

Alderman Blackburn recommended the staff document that the Board is recommending but not agreeing.

Motion by Alderman Kris Seals, second by Alderman Tom Szews to approve all expenditures of the capital improvements program and all source of funds with the exception that the source of funds for Deer Creek Interceptor sewer and the Brookfield Square Interceptor sewer should be revisited. Motion carried 4-0.

b. Outdoor water sprinkling policy

Alderman Szews asked if the Water and Sewer Board had authority to override a rogue Director of Public Works' restrictions on watering. Mr. Grisa said that the Board had that right and could make it more clear in the policy by stating so explicitly.

Motion by Alderman Kris Seals, second by Alderman Bill Carnell to approve the outdoor water sprinkling policy with the caveat that the Board has the right to override watering restriction imposed by staff. Motion carried 4-0.

6. Adjournment

Motion by Alderman Kris Seals second by Alderman Tom Szews to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 pm. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted: Thomas M Grisa - Director of Public Works