

SEWER AND WATER COMMISSION MEETING
BERLIN, WISCONSIN
April 28, 2021

Roethel called the meeting to order at 4:30 P.M. Present – Commissioners Roethel, Dewhurst, Bending and Erdmann. Absent – Youngbauer.

Also, present was Jim Lehr, Supt. Malnory and Peggy LaBuda.

The next item on the agenda was public appearances/correspondence. Of which, we had no correspondence or public appearances.

The next item on the agenda was approval of minutes from the March 31, 2021 Meeting. Erdmann moved to approve the minutes of the March 31, 2021 Meeting. Dewhurst seconded the motion, which was carried by voice vote.

The next item on the agenda was the approval of financials for March. Dewhurst moved to approve the vouchers between #15547 through #15580. Bending seconded the motion, which was carried by voice vote.

The next item on the agenda was the discussion on sewer repairs. Malnory stated that there are 4 spots found in the Collection System that were found last year televising. They are problem spots that are leaking or there is a hole in the pipe. These could have a potential of either collapse and/or blocking the sewer main. Roethel moved to direct Malnory to carry on, all other commission members were in favor.

The next item on the agenda was the discussion on televising sewers and launching up laterals for new street projects. Malnory stated that last year we televised new construction sewers like we always do, but we also launched from the main line with a camera, which we normally do not do. We have found that the data that we got from launching up the laterals was very beneficial to us and the homeowner. We could see the condition of the existing sewer and we able to see the new installation, we can inspect the connection for leaks, especially in a wet soil condition for infiltration. I think it would be beneficial for us to at least look into the cost of this for new constructions and have it included with the specs in the future. Roethel moved to direct Malnory to get prices from Speedy Clean, all other commission members were in favor.

The next item on the agenda was the superintendent report.

- Update on Street Projects - Malnory stated that the job was awarded to Parker Excavation and that it is slated to start early May, but we have not had a Preconstruction Meeting yet.
- Disconnections - Malnory stated that they are becoming a concern. The operators that do them have a safety concern. The other concern is how do we go about disconnections safely and still get the delinquent accounts to come in and pay their bill. Our only tool seems to be disconnections and putting it on the tax roll. The tax roll is a way of getting paid, but it also affects the owners of the properties more than the tenants in some cases. Malnory stated that he would like to have a future discussion on this and decide how to best move forward on this.
- WWTP Engineering - Malnory stated that this is just a proposal from Strand Engineering for the things we may need to do in the future. The Plant that we have today was Engineered by Strand and over the years they always check in on us. Any changes from this proposal would be brought in front of the Commission for approval and the changes would have to be submitted to the DNR by an Engineer.
- Next Year Budget Projects - Malnory stated that he isn't aware of any street projects for 2022, so thought that it would be a good year to do some maintenance projects at the Plant and on some of the Collection System. Malnory stated that he may have smaller items to add to the list also, but some of the bigger items include; black top repair, WWTP road for Lift Station, Mound Street

sewer and black top a bed.

The next item on the agenda was Old Business. Of which, we had none.

The next item on the agenda was New Business. Of which, we had none.

The next meeting was scheduled for May 26, 2021

Bending moved to adjourn. Erdmann seconded the motion, which carried by voice vote.

Peggy LaBuda
Secretary