

Village of Roberts

Public Works Committee – March 27th, 2017

Meeting Minutes

The Public Works Committee Meeting on March 27th, 2017 was called to order at 6:40 PM by Willard Moeri.

Present: Willard Moeri, Kevin Soltis, Rand Waughtal and Glenn Hall.

Absent: Scott Lamson, Steve Melby and Katy Kapaun.

Visitors: John Bond, Peter Tharp, Tom Cody, Dave Peterson, Mike Pizzi and Jerry Dorrott.

The meeting was properly noticed and posted in the Village of Roberts in three locations.

- **Dave Peterson- Cross Lutheran Church Expansion discussion on sewer service and review of plans.** – Peterson, Cody and Pizzi were present to talk to the Village of Roberts about tying into the sewer main. The board assured them that the Church is in the Village limits but the sewer main is not. They would like to go thru the County right away but have also contacted Mark Hamlin as to if the County had issues with this would there be a possibility to run the pipe thru his property. They inquired about the cost for this project, John also let them know that there would be an interceptor fee, the sewer impact fee and the meter cost, we will get the cost and let them know. They discussed the different pipe size and the option to get it connected to the sewer main. Dave is going to check with the County and we will get back to him with the cost of the project.
Motion to recommend Cross Lutheran Church to tie into the sewer main by Hall, second by Soltis. Motion carried.
- **SEH- discussion and approval of draft for Waste Water Treatment Plant Facility Plan.** Jerry with SEH presented the updated Evaluation Report. If everything looks correct they would send it into the DNR.
Motion to approve Clearas Option #2 of the report by Waghtal, second by Hall. Motion carried.
- **Luke Busker – future annexation to the Village for property located south of interstate 94.**
Luke attended the Public Works meeting for informational use on future plans on a development which could include Residential, Commercial and Business. He has purchase land behind St Croix Animal Friend off of Highway 65 and would like some options on getting City Sewer and Water to the property. Discussion was to bore the pipes under Interstate 94 which would be very costly. John suggested a small water

tower on the South side of the Interstate with then only boring the Sewer Pipe under the interstate. This is the type of information Luke was looking for. Rand inquired about the freezing of the pipes under 94, John didn't feel with the amount of traffic and the depth that there would be and issues.

Luke didn't feel it was necessary to attend the Plan Board meeting at this point he got the information he was looking for.

- **Update on 70th and Hwy 65** – The start date will be in 2018 which will include two lanes with islands on both sides of 70th. There will be a time frame from 70th to Dollar General the road will be shut down. John supplied Glen Hall with this information for the fire Department and EMT's. There will be a meeting in Eau Claire on April 3rd if anyone is interested.
- **Well #2 VFD Grant** – We have a VFD (Variable Frequency Drive) on Well #1 which works well for a back up to the water tower. John was talking to Focus with Energy and said that the Village of Roberts would qualify for a grant for well #2. Powercom would charge \$3,530 to install, if we want to apply for a grant we will need to write a new proposal. The grant amount would be \$720.00 it is based on the amount of hours that it is run. If the Tower is out of service we rely on Well #1, if Well #2 had a VFD we would not waste any water and also stop the sudden surge with the water pressure (hammering).

Motion to apply for VFD Grant for Well #2 by Hall, second by Soltis. Motion carried.

- **Road Salt – For 2017 – 2018 year.** – This was the first year we went to straight salt. The roads were very nice, John said it was a learning curve for them and they used more salt then they probably need to but there has been a lot of benefit. The street sweeping has been a huge saving. Public Works purchased Chloride Tanks from the County Highway Department for \$300.00 each so this should help for next year for pretreating.

Motion to go with the salt contract by Soltis, second by Waughtal. Motion carried.

- **Any other Business** – Moeri inquired about the pothole that are appearing in town and when they will be patched. John said they are waiting for everything to dry out then he will meet with contractors to patch them.

John would like to have the Tower Maintenance on the next agenda.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM by Soltis, second by Hall. Motion carried.

Barb Newton
Deputy Clerk