

## **PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE**

Monday, December 5, 2011

Administrative Center – Room 3220

4:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Charles Spiker, Arlene Benrud, Jim Berns (4:24 p.m.), Ralph Geary, Jai Johnson (exc. 4:22 p.m.), Leon Pfaff, Jeff Schroeder

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** None

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**STAFF & GUESTS:** Hank Koch, Ron Chamberlain, Jim Speropulos, Steve O'Malley, Margaret Norden, Keith Back, Randy Nedrelo, Mary Kaufmann, Dave Holtze, Bryan Jostad, Orin Wiseman, Jamie Klonowski

### **ROLL CALL/CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Spiker called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None requested.

### **APPROVE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 7, 2011**

**MOTION** by Benrud/Geary to approve the Minutes of November 7, 2011. **Motion carried unanimously.** Berns excused.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION** by Pfaff/Benrud to accept and file the following Consent Agenda items. **Motion carried unanimously.** Berns excused.

- Check Requisitions over \$20,000
- La Crosse County Economic Development Fund Meeting Minutes of November 3, 2011
- Solid Waste Director's Report

### **CONFERENCE/MEETING REPORT**

None reported.

### **APPROVE LAKE NESHONOC WINTER EVENTS**

Jim Speropulos reported that the following organizations have requested use of Lake Neshonoc and/or Neshonoc Swarthout Park. All have held successful events in the past.

- Sports Car Club of La Crosse: Winter racing event to be held over four weekends in January-February, 2012, if there are optimal ice conditions;
- Pro Vintage Racing/Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club: Oval snowmobile races on January 20-21, 2012, if there are optimal ice conditions.
- Lake Neshonoc Ice Fishing Derby: Ice fishing derby on January 28, 2012.

The sports car and snowmobile races will be held on opposite sides of the lake. Speropulos recommended approval of all events. **MOTION** by Schroeder/Pfaff to approve Winter, 2012, events at Lake Neshonoc and/or Neshonoc Swarthout Park. **Motion carried unanimously.** Berns excused.

### **APPROVE 9TH ANNUAL YMCA TRIATHLON AND WAVE OPEN WATER SWIM**

Jim Speropulos reported that the La Crosse Family YMCA has requested permission to use Lake Neshonoc and Neshonoc/Swarthout Park for the following events:

- YMCA/Touchstone Energy Triathlon: Event to be held June 10, 2012, with set-up of water buoys on June 9, 2012.
- YMCA WAVE Open Water Swim: Event to be held August 11, 2012, with set-up of water buoys on August 10, 2012.

Speropulos recommended approval of both events. **MOTION** by Schroeder/Pfaff to approve YMCA Triathlon and WAVE Open Water Swim, 2012, at Lake Neshonoc and/or Neshonoc Swarthout Park. **Motion carried unanimously.** Berns excused.

**RESOLUTION RE: SALE OF LEWIS’S POINT TO THE VILLAGE OF WEST SALEM**

The Resolution states that the Village of West Salem will continue the riprap work to preserve the shoreline and install permanent picnic tables or benches at Lewis Point. The Village will also fund the cost of a survey and recording fees. The Resolution approves the sale of the property for \$1.00, contingent upon the Village’s agreement that the property shall be considered as park land upon the future development of Lakeview Farm property. Jim Speropulos showed a map of the location. He stated that the Lake District was also in agreement with the property transfer. **MOTION** by Benrud/Johnson to approve the Resolution Re: Sale of Lewis’s Point to the Village of West Salem. **Motion carried unanimously.** Berns excused.

**RESOLUTION RE: DONATION OF LED STREET LIGHTS**

The Resolution states that Direct Lights U.S. has offered to donate four LED lights valued at \$1,000, and authorizes the Facilities Department to accept the donation. Jim Speropulos reported he is working with the company on light replacement in County Parking Lot C. **MOTION** by Johnson/Pfaff to approve the Resolution Re: Donation of LED Street Lights. **Motion carried unanimously.** Berns excused.

**APPROVE BIDS FOR GRADER, AIR COMPRESSOR, PATCH TRAILER**

Ron Chamberlain reported that all equipment expenses will come out of the 2011 machinery fund.

The proposals for a motor grader were evaluated on the following criteria: Vehicle specifications (20 points); warranty and repair (20 points); equipment demonstration (20 points); cost (40 points). Proposals were received as follows:

Vendor	Evaluation Score	Cost
Brooks – Deere 772G	96	\$264,365.00
FABCO – CAT 140M2	92	\$286,650.00
Titan – Case 885B	83	\$299,000.00

Chamberlain recommended purchasing the Deere 772G motor grader at the low bid of \$264,365.00. **MOTION** by Benrud/Spiker to purchase a Deere 772G motor grader from Brooks for \$264,365.00. **Motion carried unanimously.** Berns excused.

Chamberlain provided the following bids for a 185 CFM portable air compressor:

Farrell Equipment – Kaeser Model 185	Didn’t meet specifications
Farrell Equipment – Chicago Model 185	\$13,667.00
Lincoln Contractors Supply – Sullair Model 185	\$13,633.70

He recommended the low bid from Lincoln Contractors Supply of \$13,633.70.

**MOTION** by Pfaff/Schroeder to purchase a 185 CFM portable air compressor from Lincoln Contractors Supply for \$13,633.70. **Motion carried unanimously.** Berns excused.

Chamberlain reported that proposals for a hot asphalt patcher were evaluated on the following criteria: Vehicle specifications (35 points); warranty and repair (25 points); cost (40 points). Proposals were received as follows:

Vendor	Evaluation Score	Cost
Envirotech – Stepp 4.0	98	\$17,320.00
Falcon – Falcon P4DIX1	88	\$18,175.00
Bruce – Spaulding 4RM	90	\$18,805.00
Casper – KM International 800TEAX	81	\$20,271.00

Chamberlain recommended purchasing from Envirotech for \$17,320.00. **MOTION** by Johnson/Geary to purchase a hot asphalt patcher from Envirotech for \$17,320.00. **Motion carried unanimously.** Berns excused.

#### **CONSIDER CTH SN FOR FUTURE STP URBAN PROJECT**

Ron Chamberlain explained that the Surface Transportation Program (STP) is an 80/20 grant program for urban projects that have been approved the Metropolitan Planning Organization. There were two projects being considered: CTH SN from CTH S to Alpine and Lane, and CTH HD. Chamberlain stated that there were more concerns about pedestrians and children on SN, and recommended CTH SN for the program. Discussion was held about reducing the speed limit. **MOTION** by Pfaff/Benrud to approve CTH SN for an STP Urban Project. **Motion carried unanimously.** Berns excused.

#### **APPROVE LOCAL BRIDGE PROGRAM STATE/MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT FOR CTH YY BRIDGE**

Ron Chamberlain stated the bridge on CTH YY was eligible for 80/20 funding under the Local Bridge Program. The Wisconsin Department of Transportation has sent an agreement for the project. Chamberlain said the design is complete and they are ready to proceed, and recommended approval. **MOTION** by Schroeder/Spiker to approve the State/Municipal Agreement for CTH YY bridge. **Motion carried unanimously.** Berns excused.

#### **REPORT ON RESOLUTION RE: OPPOSITION TO 2011 ASSEMBLY BILL 146 – NO ACTION NECESSARY**

Steve O'Malley reported that Assembly Bill 146 does not have support and will probably die in committee.

#### **UPDATE ON ST. JOSEPH'S CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT**

Hank Koch reported on the contract with St. Joseph's Construction for landfill operations. He summarized areas of concern, including violation of Department of Natural Resources administrative codes. He also spoke about St. Joseph's attributes, including 30 years of experience with solid waste operations. Because of the DNR violations, there has had to be increased oversight to hold the contractor accountable, including weekly communications with operating personnel. This has placed more demands on staff and need for staff overtime. Mediation between the Solid Waste Department and St. Joseph's resulted in resolution of some issues, but has been stalled since October, 2011. A course of action is being evaluated by Administration, Finance, and Corporation Counsel. Koch outlined options going forward, including terminating the contract and proceeding with a rebid process, continuing the contract to its expiration in 2014 and then going through a rebid process, or internalizing operations with Highway Department staff. He stated there is no recommendation at this time, but staff would bring back a recommendation for approval in 2012. Lengthy discussion was held regarding contract expectations and need for clarity, and how a contractor selection would proceed if that is approved.

#### **NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: JANUARY 9, 2012**

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Update on Mindoro Park woods

State law regarding purchase preference for US-made goods

Meeting at Solid Waste Department

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** by Schroeder/Berns to adjourn the meeting. **Motion carried unanimously.** The meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

**Approved,** January 9, 2011, Margaret Norden, Recorder