PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE  
Monday, October 7, 2019  
Room 1107, Administrative Center  
4:00 p.m.

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<th>MEMBERS PRESENT:</th>
<th>Patrick Barlow, Ralph Geary, Matt Nikolay, Ray Ebert, Maureen Freedland, Steve Doyle (Arrived 4:25 p.m.)</th>
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<td>MEMBERS EXCUSED:</td>
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<td>MEMBERS ABSENT:</td>
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<td>OTHERS PRESENT:</td>
<td>Steve O’Malley, Ron Chamberlain, Keith Back, Jadd Stillwell, Jim Speropulos, Mary Kaufmann, Sharon Davidson, Brian Fukuda, Sharon Hampson, Vicki Burke, Gary Althoff, Jeff Radtke, Alice Sorenson</td>
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CALL TO ORDER: Chair Patrick Barlow called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Chair Barlow recognized that today is the first meeting without Supervisor and Committee Member Dave Holtze. The committee took a moment of silence in memory of Dave.

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 9, 2019 PWI COMMITTEE MEETING

MOTION by Nikolay/Geary to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2019 PWI Committee Meeting.  Motion carried with one excused - Doyle.

CONSENT AGENDA (INFORMATIONAL): NONE

CONFERENCE/MEETING REPORT: NONE

APPROVAL OF THE SPORTS CAR CLUB OF LA CROSSE’S ANNUAL WINTER ICE EVENTS AT LAKE NESHONOC

MOTION by Ebert/Geary to approve. Jim Speropulos, Facilities Director, requests approval of the Sports Car Club of La Crosse to use Lake Neshonoc for their annual winter ice events in 2020. They would like to spread out their events over four weekends, running on four Sundays and one Saturday/Sunday combination.  Motion carried with one excused - Doyle.

APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT EXTENSION OF VETERANS MEMORIAL CAMPGROUND CONCESSIONAIRE LEASE

MOTION by Ebert/Geary to approve. James and Darlene Guinn have been the “Campground Managers” at Veterans Memorial per agreement of lease with La Crosse County since 1997. The Guinn’s have requested a 1 year extension of the Lease and the Facilities Department recommends approval of the lease extension.  Motion carried with one excused - Doyle.

APPROVAL OF THE ASH TREE REMOVAL CONTRACTS

An RFP was sent out for ash tree cutting, stump grinding and clean-up at Goose Island, Veterans Memorial and Neshonoc Swarthout County Parks. The Facilities Director recommends Today’s Tree Service (Goose Island) in the amount of $53,520; MJ Services and Contracting LLC (NC Swarthout) in the amount of $12,500; and The Highway Department/Facilities Department (Veterans Memorial) in the amount of $11,000.  
MOTION by Geary/Freedland to approve.  Motion carried with one excused - Doyle.
RESOLUTION RE: BILLBOARD LEASE PAYMENT DEPOSITED INTO PARK IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT
MOTION by Nikolay/Ebert to approve. In 1997 the Brenengen Family donated 22+ acres of land located East of Veterans Memorial Park to be used for park purposes. Along with the park came a billboard lease agreement for a pre-existing billboard located on the property, which lease terms, until recently, comprised of the use of the property in exchange for Campground advertising on the billboard. The Public Works and Infrastructure Committee approved a new lease on June 10, 2019 where the County will receive an annual lease payment of $5,000. That lease payment will be deposited into the “Park Improvements” fund for future Parks Capital needs. Motion carried with one excused - Doyle.

RESOLUTION RE: AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR GRANT THROUGH COUNTY CONSERVATION AIDS PROGRAM FOR 2019/2020
MOTION by Geary/Nikolay to approve. La Crosse County desires to participate in county fish and game projects, pursuant to provision of Section 23.09(12), Wis. Stats., specifically the replacement of ash trees in county parks. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) has grant funding available through the County Conservation Aids program specifically for the installation of fish and game projects. La Crosse County has budgeted $30,000 in 2020 for ash tree removal and replacement. Motion carried with one excused - Doyle.

APPROVAL OF THE LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR TOWN OF ONALASKA FEDERAL LAND ACCESS PROGRAM GRANT
The Highway Commissioner was approached by the Town of Onalaska and US Fish & Wildlife asking for support for their proposed bike/ped project grant application. Part of the project is a multi-use path along CTH ZN, within the CTH ZN ROW but separate from the roadway. The Highway Commissioner recommends approval for support. Motion by Geary/Freedland to approve. Motion carried with one excused - Doyle.

APPROVAL OF THE DESIGN CONTRACT FOR LOAD POSTED BRIDGES
The Highway Department has four load posted bridges on the County Highway system that are not eligible for funding under the Local Bridge Program. All four bridges seriously impact freight and agriculture shipping. With the new Multimodal Local Supplement (MLS) program, a project that involves these bridges should score well. The Highway Department used the Quality Based Selection process to develop and rank a short list and then negotiated a price for the work with the #1 ranked firm, Ayres Associates. That price is a cost not to exceed $66,400 for all four bridges, which is a very good number for the work involved. The Highway Commissioner recommends approval. Motion by Nikolay/Geary to approve. Motion carried with one excused - Doyle.

BUDGET
Steve O’Malley reviewed the proposed 2020 budget for the Solid Waste, Highway, and Facilities Departments. The following highlights were discussed:

- Highway.
  - The Highway Department has been successful in their application for Surface Transportation Program Urban funding and was awarded $2.1M for the next piece of CTH SN. Unfortunately, that means that they will be delaying the
CTH SN project until 2022 as the timing is now in the control of WisDOT. That results in some changes to the 2020 budget, which is recommended as follows:

- CTH SN construction moved from 2020 to 2022 – changed county cost to $945,743.
- CTH PI construction moved from 2022 to 2020 with the county cost of $1,875,683.
- CTH SN right of way acquisition added to 2020 at a cost of $250,000.

The effect on the budget accounts based on the changes to the CI are as follows:

- Reconditioning and Reconstruction 710.170.7515 – Revenue increases $111,876 and the expense increases $1,987,559.
- Majors and Enhancements 710.170.7520 – Revenue decreases $142,800 and expense decreases $2,130,000.
- Fund Balance Use 710-99999.01 will decrease $111,517.

These changes result in no net increase or decrease to either the bond amount nor to the property tax levy.

- Village of Bangor Project. There is an opportunity between La Crosse County and Village of Bangor to do a jurisdictional transfer that will accomplish a great deal for downtown Bangor and use the CDBG close dollars for road projects. The Highway Commissioner described the project. With the 2020 Budget approval, the design would start and then the project would succeed in the following year. Gary Althoff and Jeff Radtke from the Village of Bangor were present for discussion.
- Goose Island GI Project. Applying more dollars from the State and Federal Land Access to complete the project in the 2020.
- Highway Budget Detail, Page 483. Ron Chamberlain highlighted the rest of the work that will be completed in 2020 with no tax levy increase.

**Facilities, Page 487.** The biggest capital item is in the Health & Human Services building where fund balance is being used to remodel all the deteriorating restrooms in the building to bring them up to standards expected of a public building. Other smaller projects in each of the buildings are budgeted for in 2020. Other Facilities projects:

- $1.5M Goose Island Flap Grant project work.
- Law Enforcement Center roof replacement; north half will be completed in 2020 and the south half in 2021 at $100,000 each.
- Minor projects, i.e., Ophelia’s House, alternative energy projects, facility and parks projects.
- Fees/rate charges for parks will increase 1.2% - 6.2% based on the fee and alignment of operations in the area.
- Facilities and Parks Department came in with a tax levy increase of .2%.

**Solid Waste, Page 466:**

- Original - $600,000 budgeted for expansion to build a new cell.
- New - $600,000 budgeted for proposed landfill expansion approval process.
- Fees and Charges. A step approach with stakeholders and municipalities charging a $1/ton increase for the next three years to help build the reserve funds to move forward with construction and not borrow funds.
NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: November 4, 2019

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: NONE

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION by Nikolay/Doyle to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 5:19 p.m.

Approved November 4, 2019, Alice Sorenson, Recorder