



APPROVED

Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, October 13, 2022

Time: 4:30 p.m.

Location: 2800 Ward Ave, La Crosse, WI 54601

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Commissioners Kurt Knutson, Tim Ehler, and Robert Lynn, Town Administrator Christina Peterson, Treasurer Sara Jarr, Public Works Foreman Terry Wright, Torey Leonard, SEH (Zoom)

ATTENDANCE LIST: None.

1. Call to Order at 4:30 p.m. by Chairperson Kurt Knutson.
2. **Minutes from 9/22/2022**
Motion by Ehler to approve meeting minutes from 09/22/2022, second by Lynn. Motion carried unanimously.
3. **Review and Approve Bills Payable**
Lynn inquired about payment for hydrant rental in the amount of \$20,446.25. Jarr explained that it was on the list in error – the Town pays the Sanitary District this amount. Voucher will be removed. Motion by Lynn to approve paid invoices in the amount of \$3,170.35 and \$69,186.31 in open invoices (revised from \$89,632.56), second by Ehler. Motion carried unanimously.
4. **Citizens' Concerns**
None
5. **Old Business**
 - a. **Arbor Hills Well #2**
Wright provided a report of the data collected during the iron samples recently collected at Well #2 (see attached). The iron levels are still high even after pumping to waste. It was noted that conditions have been very dry. Knutson suggested running additional iron level testing in closer time intervals. Lynn agreed that the additional testing and data collecting should take place. Wright agreed to have water operator spend the day running Well 2 in 5-minute cycles while taking iron level samples. Peterson commented while additional data is useful, the fact remains that high iron level continue to be present and planning for solutions is needed. Tom Madden, SEH provided an email to Peterson which was shared with the Commissioners. The email includes a review of Wright's findings and his suggestions at this point. Madden's suggestions are:
 1. Make improvements to increase run time
 2. Add chemicals to sequester the iron
 3. Monitor the iron over the long run, filtration may be needed to be the final solution.

Peterson suggested that a meeting be scheduled with Madden to discuss solutions as soon as possible. Ideally, arrange for him to be present at the next Sanitary District #2 meeting.



6. **New Business**

a. **Sanitary District #2 General Tax Levy**

Discussion of the Sanitary District imposing a levy. Continued to January 2023.

b. **Vista Well Rehab**

The preliminary findings indicated a small hole present in the casing with the concrete liner remaining intact. The final report is pending from Municipal Well. Until the final report is available, it is unknown how many feet down the hole is located. The report will offer more detail and repair options. Municipal Well has replaced the well's piping, installed a new pump, and changed the wiring.

7. **Reports**

a. **Administrator**

Peterson recently discussed where to locate the portable meter in coming months. The meter will be located at 4 different subdivisions over the winter to read flows.

b. **Public Works**

P-FAS test result from the WI-DNR reported that none was detected in our water systems. The DNR will begin monitoring P-FAS for all municipalities in 2023.

Wright has drawn a map and is implementing a plan for the portable meter's placement over the winter in order to capture the best flow data.

Work to locate curb stops continues (174 still need to be found). Some of the curb stops have been buried very deep and were difficult to locate. Others have been damaged. A letter will be sent to the homeowners whose curb stops are buried to inform them of the issues that may arise if they are not put back in place.

c. **Commissioners**

Lynn requested an update on the motor replacement in Well 2 and if it was covered by warranty. Wright explained that the warranty expired after 1 year, but the vendor split the cost of replacing the motor.

Lynn also asked where Bernie Lenz is on phase 1 of the Sewer capacity study. Peterson reported that he continues to collect data, evaluate our current system, and study flows. He is also assisting with the new ITA (Intent to Apply) documents for WI-DNR financial assistance.

Knutson requested that Municipal Well update their invoices to the correct contact person. Jarr agreed to contact the vendor to make the update.

8. **Adjournment**

Motion by Knutson to adjourn at 5:47 p.m., second by Lynn. Motion carried unanimously. Next Meeting – Thursday, November 10, 2022 at 4:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Sara Jarr, Town Treasurer