

**CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
MINUTES
TUESDAY, JULY 8, 2008**

TOUR OF WATER FILTRATION PLANT: Several members of the Board of Public Works were given a tour of the Water Filtration Plant by Supt. Dave Ewig at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Chairman John May called the City of Port Washington Board of Public meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. in the conference room at the Water Filtration Plant. Members present: Alderman Paul Neumyer, Alderman Jim Vollmar, Tom Veale and Craig Czarnecki. Also present were: City Administrator Mark Grams, City Engineer Vanden Noven, and Water Supt./Street Commissioner Dave Ewig. Absent and excused: Alderman Chris Ross and Wastewater Superintendent Dan Buehler.

Chairman's Business: There was none.

MOTION BY ALDERMAN JIM VOLLMAR AND SECONDED BY CRAIG CZARNECKI to approve the minutes from June 10, 2008. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments/Appearances: There was none.

New Business:

A. CONSIDER SOLID WASTE CONTRACT: City Engineer Rob Vanden Noven reviewed this item with the Board Members. He stated that bids were received for solid waste and recycling on July 3. Port Washington, Grafton and Saukville all opened bids at the same time at the Saukville Village Hall. Waste Management declined to bid on the Port contract, leaving Veolia as the only bidder. Veolia bid a "status quo" contract with the City of Port Washington. In Saukville, they bid on a similar contract, however, there was an alternate bids for carts for both recycling and solid waste. Contrary to what Veolia had indicated earlier, the cart contract proved to be lower. Veolia has pledged to offer Port Washington the same prices for carts as they have offered to Saukville. The current prices for collection are: \$6.46/month/house – solid waste; \$1.79/month/house – recycling for a total of \$7.83/house/month x 12 mos. x 3,300 homes = \$310,000. The proposed 2009 price for bag collection will be an increase of 61%. The proposed 2009 price for collection (contractor provided cart system) will be an increase of 47%. The savings per month with the cart system is \$1.08/house/month x 12 mos. X 3,300 = \$43,000. If the City duplicates the Saukville contract, Christmas trees will no longer be collected by Veolia, but will have to be collected by the City. It is likely both Grafton and Saukville will be converting to a cart system, so it may soon be the norm. Given the cost savings and benefits of a cart system, it is recommended that the Board approve the cart system for the City of Port Washington. Board Members discussed the pros and cons of carts versus status quo. **MOTION BY JIM VOLLMAR AND SECONDED BY TOM VEALE to recommend approval to the Common Council to approve the 2009 cart system using 95 gallon carts for both recycling and solid waste. This would be a 5 year contract with a 2 year option subject to approval of CPI calculations with a 3% cap. Citizens would have one month to change to a 65 gallon cart. Motion carried unanimously.**

B. CONSIDER PART-TIME GIS POSITION: City Engineer Vanden Noven reviewed this item with the Board Members. He stated that over the past 6 years, our Engineering Tech, Ross Kroeger, has been digitizing and mapping the City's infrastructure. Being a monumental task, he has asked for some part time assistance in gathering data. Carly Hasler has served the City in a volunteer role over the past 2 months and has done an excellent job in this position. Staff recommends hiring Carly Hasler in a part time GIS position. She will be paid \$10.00 per hour. This GIS position is funded by the Sewer and Water Utilities. This is a budgeted item. This position will not exceed 599 hours per year. **MOTION BY JIM VOLLMAR AND SECONDED BY PAUL NEUMYER to approve creating a Part Time GIS position and the hiring of Carly Hasler for \$10.00 per hour not to exceed 599 hours per year as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

C. CONSIDER BANNER REQUEST FROM FISH DAY COMMITTEE: Water Super. Dave Ewig reviewed this item with the Board Members. He stated that he had received a request from the Fish Day Committee to hang the Fish Day banner. The Fish Day banner is already hanging on the Hill Street School fence. This is just the formal request. **MOTION BY TOM VEALE AND SECONDED BY JIM VOLLMAR to approve the request from the Fish Day Committee to hang the Fish Day banner as requested. Motion carried unanimously.**

Old Business: Jim Vollmar brought up an issue on Niesen Road. There is a house that placed a pipe in the curbing to drain the sump pump. He would like an Ordinance requiring house to have sump pump drain into the storm sewer. This house on Niesen Road could create a problem with icing in the street in winter. This item will be given to the City Building Inspector to review.

Project Updates:

A. STH 32 Project: City Engineer Rob Vanden Noven stated that Phase II is scheduled to be completed by August 15. Phase 3 should be starting on August 4.

b. East Beutel Water Main Project: City Engineer Vanden Noven stated that there has been no grading because of the rain. Grading and paving should begin soon. The underground work is completed.

Forthcoming Events: Fish Day will be Saturday, July 19th and paper shredding at the City Garage will be Saturday, August 16. Ozaukee Bank is sponsoring this project and it will be from 9:00 a.m. until noon.

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION BY CRAIG CZARNECKI AND SECONDED BY TOME VEALE adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.