

PROJECTS REVIEW MEETING MINUTES
MAY 25, 2006, at 10:30 a.m.

Present: Bill Farrell, Elizabeth Keller, Tom Penegor, Don French and Jim O'Toole

Public Works/Engineering –

- Last year a grant was applied for under the Small Urban Grant for North 30th Street from Ludington Street to Danforth Road in the amount of \$375,000 with a local match. Grant was received for a total project cost of \$450,000 (20% match).
- North 30th Street right-turn lane – final plans are sent to MDOT. Looking at a July 7th date with construction 4-6 weeks after. Discussion was held on fire hydrant and fence placement.
- Street list is complete. Don stated they are moving a fire hydrant on Lake Shore Drive and replace with a new one. Have to make sure there are two mains underneath the blacktop and make sure the fire hydrant is on the larger of the main (4" and 12").
- Trimming trees, patching, and started tops on the street list. Doing various concrete work. Working at the marina with trimming trees and removal of dead trees.
- Discussion was held on the Menard's project.
- Crossing at the Power Plant Road – Equipment broke down and the project was delayed approximately three hours for the day. Recreation Department placed signs at the location.

Water/Wastewater -

Wastewater Plant

- Trucking sludge. Asked Public Works for help on the road. Front end loader there to help with hills and straighten out some curbs and slopes that has developed from the illegal dumping.
- Working on lift stations and Chicago Northwestern and Lake Shore Drive. Public Works placed posts in at Lake Shore Drive. Have more posts that they are blocking the control panel from the sidewalk direction and will weld some pieces across it and will act as a ladder to get into the lift station.
- Working the Public Works street list for sanitary sewers.

Water Plant

- Al Ness Field – water line was hit when sign was placed. Distribution crew took care of.
- Prime C – go back and dig up. Did some preliminary testing and there is a connection between the two (isolated valves and opened up fire hydrants) underneath the blacktop. Will dig down and tunnel over.
- Beach samples starting to come in.
- Distribution system inventory – started to build new and will have on line sometime in July.

Planning/Zoning -

- Planning Commission approved Harbor Tower project.
- Hiawatha Hotel is being demolished.
- Spoke with Dr. Smith and they want to move temporary trailers at Lemmer for a Library and Technology Room. Dr. Smith asked if at North 15th Street between Ludington Street and 1st Avenue North could be evaluated for paving.
- Comprehensive Plan will be going before the City Council for adoption.

Recreation –

- Spoke with Mike Furmanski regarding the tennis courts as the lights are remaining on. They will be looked at.
- The Recreation Department will be putting together a request for qualification for the Civic Center building as it needs to be renovated since it is 40 years old.

- Ordered 21 bags of millennium to help with the weeds by three junior soccer fields near the high school area.
- Webster pool was done by Bay Pool and Spa. They took out the sand filter system. Paint came in and will be painted when the weather is over 55 degrees.
- Tennis court bid was approved by City Council – 10 courts redone (8 tennis courts and 2 basketball courts).
- Marina is up and running.
- The Key Club will be holding a fundraiser with the Cancer Alliance on June 10th from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. near the Tennis Courts.
- Coast Guard Auxiliary placed in channel markers at the North Shore area.
- Turning the water on at the beach this week.
- Signs have been ordered at Meiers to place at the Aronson Island for the policy on the 6,000 pounds, 26' limit.
- Letter received from DEQ saying no to the permit on the weed chemical control. Was denied because it was too close to the water intact.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.