

**CITY OF BAYFIELD**  
**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**  
*December 8, 2014*

Meeting called to order by Bryan at 10:35 a.m. at Fire Hall. Present: Don Albrecht, Mel Whiteside, Gene Brevold, and Jim Bryan; City employee Tom Kovachevich; David Eades. M/Brevold S/Whiteside to approve agenda. Approved. Minutes from October 9, 2014 and November 25, 2014 meetings approved on a motion Brevold S/Whiteside. No public input was offered on the agenda.

**1. Old Business**

a. *Historic Street Project Bids* -- Since the original cost estimates are outdated (this project began in 2007), bids for concrete work came in higher than originally proposed by the project engineer. The committee expressed an interest in making sure nothing goes wrong this year and that better communication can be accomplished (the Chamber representative agrees). M Brevold S/Whiteside to recommend award of bid to Chippewa Concrete Services in the amount of \$1,052,148. Motion approved.

b. *Sidewalk Assessment* -- process is underway

c. *2015 Water Main Extension* -- The Catholic Hill project (Washington Ave from First to Front, Rice Ave from Hwy 13 to Second, Sweeney Ave from Hwy 13 to Second, and Highway 13 from Sweeney to North Limits) is being verified and will be ready for bids in January.

**2. Public Works Director & Utility Operator Report**

Wszalek is filling in at the GBWWTP this week. Larger than expected costs for repairs to departmental equipment have hit the budget hard. Higher than normal temperatures are making roads very slippery; City crew is doing its best to keep them safe and passable.

After reviewing summary points from the December 3 Water Rate Increase Public Hearing with the Public Service Commission, committee members wanted to begin the process immediately of further inquiry with the PSC on a more equitable distribution of rate increases among residents and non-residents due to the costs of repairing an aging infrastructure. M/Albrecht S/Whiteside to request the Bayfield Water Utility to send a letter to the PSC regarding alternative ways to spread the cost of rate increases more fairly. Motion carried.

**3. Gary and Susan Zimbric Request**-- The Zimbrics made a request to remove small trees and brush on property near Lynde Avenue. M Brevold S/Whiteside to authorize proceeding under the direction of Tom Kovachevich. Carried.

**4. 2015 Utility Budget and CIPs** -- M/Albrecht S/Whiteside to approve the revised budget and CIPs as submitted. Carried.

**5. Set next meeting and Adjournment**

Next meeting set for 9 a.m. Friday, January 9 at the Fire Hall.

Adjournment: M/Whiteside S/Albrecht. Motion approved at 11:30 a.m.