

## PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

4/9/25

Meeting called to order by DeIMain at 9:01 AM

Present: Ted Dougherty, Liam DeIMain, Nancy Pearson, Tom Bogaard, Diane Fizell

Absent: BJ Havlik

City Employees: Joel Weber, Jacob Dickey

Public:

Public Comment on Agenda Items

### **No Public Comments**

1. Old Business
  - a. Manypenny update: pre-construction meeting is coming up. Still pushing for a June 1st start date, and completion August 1st.
  - b. We received the WEM check for the storm damage reimbursement!
  - c. 10th St & Manypenny - we will be looping a dead end water main there, 180ft. Hoping to take the opportunity to relay that whole section of street since it really needs it, and we'll be already mobilizing the machinery and crew.
  
2. Harbors Edge Easement
  - a. We will average a cost per sq foot off of the previous easements and leases the city has granted in similar cases, and apply it to their 290 sq ft.
  
3. Urgent Maintenance
  - a. 5th St & Rice Ave, Old Military & City Limits, 7th St & Rittenhouse. These are all spots that need new culverts and overlay urgently, this summer. Budget for culverts and storm sewers is tight, Joel is trying to increase in future years to accommodate needed repairs.
  - b. The sewer line on South side of Washington Ave by the library is compromised, maybe damaged by boring last fall from Spectrum internet. Problems on the north side in the Queens View alley as well. Joel is looking into boring a new line for that section, as digging up the line in that alley would not be feasible due to the slope and current landscaping. Two overflows have occurred in that section that we have recorded.
  - c. The culvert on the road to the Unknowns is also starting to fail.
  
4. Vacant Lots, utilities and infrastructure discussion
  - a. DeIMain will head up forming a working group, with members from public works, PLAN commission, and others to start working on this problem. They will be sure to incorporate the goals and agreements laid out in the City's current comprehensive plan.

5. Utility Operator Report

- a. Our VFD at the sewer lift station has gone bad, new one arrived and will be installed soon, money coming from emergency fund, ~\$17,000
- b. Annual anti-vaporization test went well, clean bill of health on all our pumps
- c. We got a new truck! The old one will be going on WI public auction, along with a handful of other old equipment.

6. Set Next Meeting

- a. Next meeting will be 9am on May 7th at City Hall.

*Meeting adjourned.*