

CITY OF NEW LONDON
MINUTES OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING
WEDNESDAY, August 17, 2011

Members Present: Chairman Mike Barrington, Dennis Herter, Robert Besaw, Lori Dean, and Ron Steinhorst

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Jeff Bodoh, Public Works Director
Kent Hager, City Administrator

Gary Henke, Mayor
John Romberg, Alderperson
Tom O'Connell, Alderperson
Jeff Galbraith, AECOM

1. Chairman Barrington called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. with a quorum present.

Motion by Dean/Steinhorst to approve the agenda as presented. Five voting aye. Motion carried.

2. Northeast Business Park Expansion Plans. Jeff Galbraith from AECOM explained the reason for the special meeting. Galbraith went through the Wisconsin DNR stormwater and drainage requirements for new development. He noted that there are three things that the DNR reviews in new developments for a stormwater permit 1) infiltration; 2) suspended solids reduction and 3) keeping peak flow off the developed site at the pre developed level. Galbraith pointed out that AECOM engineers chose to use dry ponds instead of wet ponds to deal with the peak stormwater flow. If wet ponds were used, the roads would need to be built one foot higher than if dry ponds are used. This would mean that the lots would be lower than the road and developers would have to bring in extra fill to have the buildings above the road. Because dry ponds are being used and the site is primarily clay, infiltration did not need to be considered. Galbraith said that with dry ponds they had to design drainage swales with engineered soil and drain tile running between the lots to reduce the suspended solid in accordance with DNR requirements. Romberg noted that these swales would divide up the property and limit the flexibility of the lot sizes. Galbraith explained how the City could deal with that issue.

Galbraith went over the bidding and construction schedule with the Board. He th

noted that the project could start as early as September 19 if the Council approves the low bidder at the September Council meeting. Galbraith said that he was looking at a mid November completion date, but some contractors said that they were not comfortable with that time frame. Galbraith asks the Board if he could extend the substantial completion date to the end of December and have the final completion in the Spring. This means that the contractor could do

the fine grading and landscaping in the Spring. Board did not see any problem with that schedule.

Motion by Herter/Besaw to have AECOM proceed with the plans and schedule as discussed in the meeting. Five voting aye. Motion carried.

2. Motion by Steinhorst to adjourn the meeting at 5:25 p.m., second by Besaw. Motion carried by all.

Jeffrey Bodoh
Director of Public Works