

**CITY OF NEW LONDON**  
**MINUTES OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING**  
**Monday, January 4, 2016**

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

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Jeff Bodoh, Public Works Director  
Gary Henke, Mayor  
Kent Hager, City Administrator  
Dave Morack, Alderperson  
Tom O'Connell, Alderperson  
Ben Greuel, WWTP Chief Operator  
Don Goodreau, Street/Parks & Rec Superintendent  
Janet Searl, Administrative Assistant  
John Faucher, New London Press Star

Harold Wolfgram, Leonard Puffe, New London Boy Scout Troop 59 (Keegan Morien, Collin Morien, Storm Handrich, Myles O'Brien, Connor Jones, Zack Jones, Tyler Schulz, Cameron Wegener, Clayton Wegener, Collin Shepard, Dan Shepard, Ben Grumann, Trever Gardner, Casey Jones, Tim Olsen, Cathy Schulz, Robin Wegener)

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

Motion by Steinhorst / Herter to approve the agenda. Five voting aye.  
Motion carried.

2. WWTP Update. Ben reported the new generator has been installed and works like a charm. He asked what the Board would like him to do with the old generator. The Board thought advertising it on the Wisconsin Surplus website would be a good idea. The recent heavy rains brought the river level up and clear water is flowing into the treatment plant through the sanitary sewers. Ben, Jeff Bodoh, & Don Goodreau are working on finding the leaks in order to repair them.

Ben requested approval for three rotating assemblies for three high rate filter pumps. This is the most economical solution to extend the life of the existing pumps.

Motion by Steinhorst / Dean to approve the purchase of three ABBA AC Rotating Assemblies from Crane Engineering at a cost of \$52,857.00 (deducting \$400 for each assembly if all three are purchased at the same time). Five voting aye. Motion carried.

3. Review Street Vacation Request for East Beacon Avenue. Two property owners have requested to have the city vacate the eastern portion of the Beacon Avenue right-of-way from Wood Lane to the Wolf River. The fire department does use that location to launch their boat in an emergency when the river is high. There was discussion of creating an easement to ensure the fire department is able to use the property in the event of an emergency. Approval is needed to continue with the process, which includes posting a Class 3 Notice, informing residents within a 200' radius of the property, and a public hearing.

Motion by Herter / Dean to continue with the process of vacating East Beacon Avenue. Five voting aye. Motion carried.

4. Approve Amendment to the AECOM GIS Mapping Contract. This will include finishing up the sewer line work and putting bench marks on the map. This amendment will ensure that the paperwork is in place.

Motion Steinhorst / Herter to recommend to Council to approve the Amendment Number 8 – Dated December 28, 2015 from AECOM. Five voting aye. Motion carried.

5. Update on Upcoming Projects. This item was to provide information and address any questions the Board members had on individual projects. There was a brief discussion on the timeframe for the Division Street project, if the change in personnel would affect the project, and the condition of the sewer pipes. Bodoh is waiting to receive plans for the River Wall project. When he gets the plans, Laurie Shaw from the Chamber will accompany him to the business owners to discuss them. Bodoh presented pictures of the proposed dock system for the project.
6. Discuss the potential “Safe Routes to School” Funding and Requirements. The State is accepting applications for funding. Bodoh was looking for approval to continue with the application process, even though the bigger metropolitan area will receive first consideration. He will bring a resolution for support of the application process to next month’s meeting.
7. Review Construction Agreement with Waupaca County for Division Street. City Attorney Luaders looked over the agreement that is now in the hands of Waupaca County for their attorney to look over. They will possibly take it to their committee on Friday. Once they approve it, Bodoh will bring it back to the Board for approval.
8. Monthly Report of the Director/Other Matters. Joe Kosmerchock has worked for the City for 40 years as of January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Bodoh will talk to neighboring Outagamie townships to see if they need assistance with acquiring recycling containers. It may be possible to get the cost of each container lowered if a greater quantity is ordered at one time.

Don Goodreau attended the meeting to address the recent snow storm. He reported that 14½” of snow and a number of equipment breakdowns caused a few problems. But the main issue was that some people don’t take a “snow emergency” seriously. There was discussion on how we can get the word out quicker and to reach more citizens. Chairman Barrington commented that in general he thought the streets were well taken care of.

Lori Dean mentioned that we should notify City residents about clearing the snow from sidewalk corners and from in front of fire hydrants. She also thanked the Boy Scouts and leaders from Troop 59 for attending the meeting.

9. Motion by Dean to adjourn the meeting at 5:32 p.m., second by Besaw. Motion carried by all.

Jeffrey Bodoh  
Director of Public Works