

**CITY OF NEW LONDON**  
**MINUTES OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING**  
**Monday, January 6, 2020 @ 4:30 p.m.**

Members Present: Mike Barrington, Bob Besaw, Lori Dean, Dennis Herter, Mike Pinch

Members Absent:

Council Members: Mayor Henke, Tom O'Connell, Ron Steinhorst, Fred Zaug

Others Present: Chad Hoerth; Director of Public Services  
Lou Leone, City Administrator  
Michelle Lambrecht; Public Services Administrative Assistant  
Jeffrey Schlueter, City of New London Police Chief  
Ellen Krabbe; Rural Roads ATV Club President, Theresa Banick,  
Bruce & Rita Fleming, Adam Dobbert, Barb Lowe, Anthony Harmon  
Pete & Vanessa Genteman, Mike Kanaman, Betsy, Turenske,  
Diane Montgomery, Julie Blohm, Chris Heideman, Ken Price,  
Anthony Schmidt, Darlene Casey, Karl Kanaman, Shawn Retzlaff,  
Steve McKeever, Brad Graham

Barrington called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.; Motion by Zaug seconded by Dean to approve the agenda. *Motion carried by all*

Wastewater Treatment Facility Update: There were no questions or concerns on the WWTF monthly reports.

Discussion and possible action on a proposed ordinance creating ATV/UTV routes and trails: The Rural Roads ATV Club submitted a draft ordinance to create and allow ATV routes on New London City streets. Discussion took place between Board members and others present. Concerns for allowing ATV usage on streets included the young legal age to drive ATV's on streets, the potential noise complaints, the lack to require insurance similar to other motorized vehicles, the ability to drive an ATV if a driver's license is revoked, and the absence of brake and turn signal lights on some ATVs. Board members also expressed concerned with the cost to install signage and the additional burden on the Police Department chasing ATV complaints. Proponents of adopting the proposed ordinance provided comments of other communities who have limited or minimal reports of ATV incidences, and the potential economic benefit to the city. The Board agreed to table the topic at this time as more information is gathered.

Discussion and possible action regarding noise and speed complaints on Pershing Road: Brad Graham addressed the Board complaining about the noise, smell and high speeds of vehicles on Pershing Road. Graham stated that trucks and even buses are speeding on a regular basis and requested more police patrol, yellow flashing lights, additional speed signs and paint markings to

slow traffic down. Chief Schlueter commented that additional police presence has been provided to Pershing Road, but an officer cannot be there at all times. A speed sign was also placed on Pershing Road during the summer months to alert drivers of their speed. The Board explained that Pershing Road is a County Highway and an arterial road into the city, so higher numbers and larger vehicles are normal for this type of street. A member from the public stated that he was a bus driver and that it has been directed from management to bus drivers to watch travel speeds, especially on Pershing Road. The Board took no action on this topic at this time.

Consider for action a request to extend sanitary sewer service on Oak Street:  
Dave & Tammy Klinzing who live at 406 Oak Street, are requesting to hook into the city's sanitary sewer system as their current septic system is failing. The sanitary main currently stops about 125 feet short from their property. Hoerth provided information and maps showing options to either extend the sewer to the Klinzing's residents, or to extend it further for 7 other Town of Hortonia properties on Oak Street who currently do not have sewer service. The Board directed Hoerth to contact the other property owners and determine if there is additional interest connecting into the city's sewer system. No motion was made at this time.

Director's Report/Memo:

Years of Service Report: Don Goodreau completed 14 years of service with the city on December 5<sup>th</sup>.

Other matters:

None identified

Next month's agenda items:

None identified

There being no further business a motion was made by Dean and seconded by Herter to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 p.m. *Motion carried by all.*

Chad Hoerth; Director of Public Services