

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**  
**CITY OF WISCONSIN DELLS**  
**MUNICIPAL BUILDING-300 LA CROSSE STREET**  
**SEPTEMBER 12, 2016**

Chairperson Mor called the meeting to order at 5:45 PM. Notice of the meeting was provided to the Dells Events, WNNO Radio, and posted in accordance with State Statutes.

1. Present: Ald. Dar Mor, Mayor Landers, Ald. Ed Wojnicz and Ald. Brian Holzem  
Others: Public Works Director David Holzem, City Planner Chris Tollaksen, Asst. City Attorney Joseph Hasler, DPW Office Clerk Monica Dorow-Leis, City Clerk/Coordinator Nancy Holzem, City Treasurer Karen Terry, Ald. Ed Fox, Jason Hallowell, Kelli Trumble, Chris Lechnir, and Ed Legge from the Dells Events
2. Motion by Ald. Holzem seconded by Ald. Wojnicz, to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2016 meeting. Motion carried.
3. Discussed were the 2017 Budget proposals from the Office of the Mayor. Public Works Director David Holzem commented on the following suggested proposals:
  - Concerns about Proposal #4 to privatize the cemetery maintenance duties and transition cemetery sexton position to the parks department. David said currently 30% of the sexton position is paid out of the Public Works budget. David said the cemetery takes more to maintain than the average person realizes.
  - David said the sexton helps the Public Works Dept. with snowplowing and other duties. Mayor Landers said the sexton could still do that.
  - Said they do not have enough money to create a dog park (Proposal 7) and said the city will need the land.
  - David said historically \$30,000 is budgeted for Snow Removal, but suggested being careful when reading this type of budget number. It is hard to predict this budgeted item and said he is a little conservative with his budget.Mayor Landers said Parks and Rec. Director Thad Meister requested an additional person and one idea would be to take the sexton position to the Parks Dept., then hire a private contractor for the cemetery, because it takes a day to just remove the weeds at the cemetery. If the sexton position would move to the Parks Dept., then the budget would increase in the Parks Dept. or look at management. Ald. Wojnicz said if they outsource cemetery maintenance, then maybe do this once in a while, but not all the time. Wojnicz also said with more new public spaces, there is more to maintain, but needed in the summer months, not the winter months. Mayor Landers said the Parks Director is exploring a dog park. This item was discussion only.
4. RiverWalk-The RiverWalk is progressing.  
Capital Street-This project is physically done. He just has to finalize numbers and with the expanded scope of the project, they were close to budget.  
This item was updated information only.
5. Approximately 90% of the Utility Permit Applications are from Alliant. David said if there is a fee attached to this permit application, a large fee would not be necessary. Wisconsin Technology Networking (WITN) submitted a Utility Installation Permit Application for its proposed new utility infrastructure facility in the City. The City responded to the application outlining their advice before considering a Conditional Use Permit, but there has been no response from WITN. Atty. Hasler said there needs to be some kind of regime.
6. There was combined with the discussion on the previous item. This item will remain on next month's agenda.
7. They are waiting for Kevin to set up a meeting with WI DOT.

8. Does the city want pricing on a flashing beacon permit and how much would it cost to light the intersection? This item was discussion only.
9. David presented to the committee the proposed 2017 Public Works Budget with a 1.4% increase. WHARF was removed from the Public Works budget and moved to Rivers and Bay budget. Motion by Ald. Holzem and seconded by Ald. Wojnicz recommend to council approve the 2017 Public Works Budget. Motion carried.
10. There were no referrals to a future meeting.
11. Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 10, 2016 at 5:45pm.
12. Motion by Mayor Landers and seconded by Ald. Holzem to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:19 pm.

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Monica Dorow-Leis  
Public Works Office Clerk