

CITY OF NEW BERLIN
Proceedings of the Water Resource Management Meeting
Tuesday, December 14, 2010

Please note: Minutes are unofficial until approved by the Water Resource Management Utility at their next regular scheduled meeting.

ROLL CALL: Alderman Harenda called the meeting to order at 4:53 PM. Roll call and declared a quorum with all members present. Present were Aldermen Hopkins and Moore, Commissioner Jim Kern, and Mayor Chiovatero. Also present were City Engineer, JP Walker; Director of Community Development, Greg Kessler; Project Engineer, Cathy Schwalbach; and Administrative Supervisor Utilities and Streets, Sue Hanley.

This meeting was noticed on Thursday, December 09, 2010 in accordance with the Open Meetings Law.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Alderman Hopkins to approve the minutes from the November 09, 2010 meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Kern, and carried with Mayor Chiovatero voting present.

Alderman Moore addressed concerns in reference to the Code Revisions in regards to Issues upstream that could benefit downstream. Alderman Harenda stated this item would be on the January agenda.

Privilege of the Floor: None

OLD BUSINESS

- **SW 21-09 - Update on Railroad ditching plans near Elm Grove Rd North of Honey Ln.**
Tabled, no new information.
- **SW 08-10 - Approval of Funds for Property Acquisition and Demolition.**
Motion by Alderman Moore to make a recommendation to the Common Council to approve City Funding for Property Acquisition and Demolition of the properties located at 12418 Meadow Lane, 1517 124th Street, 12415 Meadow Lane, in addition 2769 124th Street, 16628 W Addison Ave and 13705 W. Prospect Place. Seconded by Alderman Hopkins.

Motion by Commissioner Kern to Amend the Original Motion, that the Water Resource Management Committee brings forth this as a discussion item for potential city funding for property acquisition and demolition of the properties listed, this is not a recommendation but for discussion at the Common Council level. Seconded by Alderman Hopkins and carried with Alderman Moore opposing.

Original Motion carried unanimously.

- **SW 22-10 – Approval of 2011 Water Resource Management Capital Budget.**
Motion by Alderman Hopkins to approve the 2011 Water Resource Management Capital Budget. Seconded by Commissioner Kern and carried unanimously.

Staff provided an updated spreadsheet to reflect the ranking.

NEW BUSINESS

- **SW 25-10 – Discussion of Repeat Flood Damage Properties.**

As requested by the board members at the last meeting, Project Engineer; Cathy Schwalbach provided the Commissioners with spreadsheets and additional information in their packets related to the 13 properties with repeated flood damage. There are two additional properties that were not added to the list that was provided to the Commissioners that also sustain repeated flood damage. The owners of these two properties have asked not to be added to the list because there are elderly residents residing in these homes and the property owners did not want to

disturb them.

Project Engineer; Cathy Schwalbach went over with the Commissioners some of the items on the spreadsheets that were provided. Some of the items noted were the property owners names, addresses, flooding coming from public or private property, depth of the flooding, this is information that is provided by the homeowners, Use of basement, indicating if the property owner is able to use the basement, type of damage whether its structural or first floor damage, flood frequency, Whether or not the property is located in a floodplain.

Ms. Schwalbach adds that the recently applied for grant through FEMA includes 4 residential properties. It was noted that a floodplain designation is a Federal Government Agency decision.

A few of the residents were present to speak on behalf of the flood damage to their homes. Discussion on the CIP Budget and where funding might come from for buyouts, as it was noted there are limited funding sources available.

Alderman Moore discussed the option of these residents getting a rain garden and what the benefits if any this could bring.

Mayor Chiovatero states he will follow up with the Mayors from other municipalities in regards to flooding caused by streets being widened and will also continue to seek answers from the State Department of Transportation regarding the affect of Greenfield Ave widening on storm water volume.

ADJOURN:

Motion by Alderman Moore to adjourn at 6:32 PM. Seconded by Commissioner Kern and carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Donna Cox
Community Relations / City Clerk's Office