

Minutes

NEW BERLIN UTILITY COMMITTEE

APRIL 29, 1999, 8:00 a.m.

New Berlin City Hall 3805 South Casper Drive, Engineering Conference Room

Alderman Bullermann called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m.

Members Present: Aldermen Pater, Wysocki, and Bullermann, Tim Murphy, and Director of Public Works Hamid Hashemizadeh.

Others Present: Larry Wilms Utility Superintendent, Kevin Ahearn of ADS.

ITEM 1A-99 Approval of Minutes - March 29, 1999

Motion by Alderman Wysocki to approve the minutes of March 29, 1999. Second by Tim Murphy. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 6-99 Westbrooke Sewers

General discussion with regard to report from Waukesha County:

Liz Kaminski asked for report from City but never received one (Patzner).

Director of Public Works never received a copy of the report (Hashemizadeh).

Are there any other reports with regard to septic systems in that area (Patzner and Wysocki).

The City included the report in the Priority Evaluation Form for Reduced Interest Loans (Wilms).

Larry Wilms to provide copies of application and report to all members.

General discussion as to the classification of this project.

Alderman Wysocki to check with City Attorney regarding vote taken at Council level with regard to setting up sewer district. Wants to find out if vote had an influence on the classification of this project.

City has no obligation to do this project because there are other options and the Utility as a whole is not benefitting. (Hashemizadeh and Wilms)

DNR may force the City to install sewers at some point in the future (Wilms).

New options regarding septic systems are coming out (COM 83), and perhaps those would be an option for residents (Wysocki).

Consensus was to keep this item on the agenda.

ITEM 18-99 Water Meter Discussion

This item brought to the Committee due to a resident concern. (Patzner)

There was general discussion with regard to the types of options available for meter reading, to ensure the accuracy of billing, and to reduce any lost revenues. (All Members)

Every bill sent out has it noted (in two locations on the bill) that the resident should verify that the outside and inside meters should match and who to call if they do not. (Wilms)

This item to be placed in the City wide newsletter to inform residents of the procedure of verifying both the inside and outside meters. Deadline for the city newsletter is April 30, 1999. (Hashemizadeh)

Consensus was to place this issue in the city wide newsletter.

Motion by Alderman Patzner to investigate and determine possible solution to the concerns raised about the meter readings and accuracy. Report to be given to Committee at next meeting. Secondly by Alderman Wysocki. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 19-99 Sprinkling Ban

Motion by Director of Public Works Hamid Hashemizadeh to recommend to the Common Council to authorize preparation of an Ordinance by the Director of Public Works to repeal and recreate Section 13.05 of the Municipal Code. Second by Alderman Wysocki. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 13-99 1999 I/I Reductions (Brief Report of Planned Works)

Brief explanation of the manhole inspections that were performed. (Wilms, Ahearn)

Discussion on types of defects and types of construction.

General discussion with regard to time frames for completing city wide inspections, complying with the MMSD requirements and reimbursement process, and setting priority locations. (All Members)

Utility Committee should see the plan that staff has for inspection and repairs of manholes (Wysocki).

Utility Staff to meet with Kevin Ahearn to discuss the findings of the inspections and the types of repairs that are necessary.

ITEM 15-99 Intermunicipal Agreement Between District 4 Town of Brookfield Sanitary Sewer District (Item Left From 3/29)

Consensus to hold this item until the next meeting.

ITEM 16-99 Winter Weather Damage Report - Tower No. 1 (Item Left From 3/29)

Repairs need to be made to tower from damage caused by cold weather during the winter. The cost of the maintenance repairs is approximately \$15,000 - \$20,000. (Hashemizadeh and Wilms)

Consensus to drop this item from the agenda.

ITEM 17-99 Safe Drinking Water Act Requirements Update (Item Left From 3/29)

Consensus to hold this item until the next meeting.

ITEM 20-99 Woodshire Addition 3 (Update on Laterals)

Testing was done (as requested from last meeting) and no leakage was found. A video tape is also available for viewing if anyone is interested (Wilms).

Consensus to drop this item from the agenda.

Motion by Alderman Wysocki to adjourn. Second by Tim Murphy. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 9:28 a.m.