

**VILLAGE OF DRESSER
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING
JANUARY 15, 2020
MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

Bryan "Fatboy" Raddatz called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM. Roll Call: Richard Durand, Wayne Moberg and Bryan "Fatboy" Raddatz. Also present Jodi A. Gilbert-Clerk/Treasurer, Robert Thompson/Public Works, Matt Koch/Public Work, Angela Popenhagen/Steven's Engineering, and Grace Bjorklund. This meeting was posted that a majority of the board members could be present for this meeting. No other public or press was in attendance.

Discussion regarding Angela Popenhagen – Steven's Engineering – What services can Steven's Engineering provide in relation to a future LRIP Project (Possible Locations for a Future LRIP Project). Popenhagen stated that Thompson had called me when the applications were due this past November. This funding comes around every 2 years. There are things that you can do to get ready for the next round right now. If you are going to look at Polk Ave S you can get all of the background done now. Larger projects need traffic counts completed. We can do all of the engineering, we do road designs, planning, etc... A handout was passed out. We have worked for the Village of Osceola and Star Prairie. You can call me anytime if you have a question. Raddatz asked specifically what does it entail. The grant is not for a lot of money. What is the cost for engineering? The LRIP is every 2 years and for a Village there are 2 options – the regular option and discretionary which is a project over \$200,000.00. Those include safety, traffic, economic development etc... That is a 50/50 match. A regular project is smaller – you turn in your application to Polk County. They divide the funds by the number of applications and you get your share. It is usually about \$9,000.00 towards a street project. The cost for engineering, layouts, to do the preliminary work and submit the grant is around \$1,500.00. You then see if you are approved and then go from there. I can keep you updated – applications come out in August 2021 – there are always new rules. Do you want to proceed or not? It is a busy time of the year. You can look at WISLR - passer ratings to determine a project and determine if you have to do traffic counts. You need to have a 5-year capital improvement plan. Making sure that is in place. That is part of the application process. Sanitary Sewer and/or Water is not included in these projects. If you are looking at a dead end you will need to bring it up to standards. May have to put in a cul-de-sac. Curb and Gutter and Storm Water would get looked at. On Polk Avenue do we need to do the water/sewer lines? There is a lot of Storm Water. Thank you for attending this meeting.

Discussion was held regarding the Sewer Pipe Replacement Project at the Lift Station. Thompson stated we had another company out today and they looked at it – they said replace the bad value and do a two-part epoxy to the pipes. Cost between \$10,000.00 and \$12,000.00. Our estimates have been without the valve. Energenecs is around \$2,000.00 to replace the valve. Raddatz stated this has been to the board meeting. You have seen the pipes at the lift station pictures with all of the peeling paint. There was an estimate for \$30,000.00 to replace with stainless steel, which we are finding out is not the way to go. The DNR does not recommend stainless. Ductile is the way to go. Thompson stated I talked to SEH who deals with sewer systems. Don't go stainless – there are different grades. So, the ductile prices included painting, but can we do the painting ourselves. Raddatz stated paint it with epoxy - they would come and sand blast it. The valve either way needs to be replaced. Once the valve is replaced and it is open, we can see the thickness of the pipe. Then we can determine if all of the pipe needs to be replaced or can we just sand blast and paint. Koch stated if it had been maintained we could just

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be painting it. It has never been painted. Jerry at SEH questioned why we were replacing do to the age of the pipes. This is not an emergency – this where we are at. Raddatz stated let's get a hard number for the valve. Do the valve first and see what we are dealing with. Then the board can make the decision to replace or paint. Can we get another bid on the valve replacement? Thompson stated it will check into it.

Discussion was held regarding the bid results for the State Highway 35 Safety Improvement Project planned for Summer of 2020. Raddatz stated this is in your packet. Originally when we did this and they came through and gave us a cost to raise the manholes/water valves the estimate was \$7,200.00. The project was put out for bids and the price came back double. We budgeted \$7,200.00. We didn't budget \$14,400.00. I made some phone calls. Could we have the guys do it. The process is to cut around the manhole etc... pull out the black top, cover with a plate of steel, you need traffic control, then when they are here raise them to spec etc... A lot to it. I talked to a company about helping them. We are not equipped to cut out that many. What I found out is what they priced out is what the bids were last year. One contractor said it has been years since we have seen those prices. No price savings to do it ourselves even with some help. We will need to have it done by the State and come up with an additional \$7,200.00. The contractor I talked to said that is the rate. Where do we come up with the money? It is water and sewer – At this point we need a recommendation to the board to move forward. Motion Durand/Moberg to recommend to the Village Board to move forward with the State Highway 35 project with a bid amount of \$14,405.00 for the adjusting of water main and sanitary valves. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Discussion was held regarding the purchase of 2.5" Hydrant Helper(demo model) in the amount of \$700.00. Thompson provided a picture of what it is. It keeps water out of people's yards and we are not spraying cars. It is a water expense. Thompson stated they let us try it last year and it worked great. It is a guy who works for the City of Baldwin and he came up with this. It is in our shop right now. Durand stated if it saves on problems down the road. Thompson stated yes it helps keep the water out of people's driveways and garages and you are putting it in the storm drain. Motion Durand/Moberg to recommend to the Village Board to approve the purchase of a 2.5" Hydrant Helper(demo model) in the amount of \$700.00. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Moberg/Durand to recommend to the Village Board to have Public Works purchase Cutting Edges with a cost not to exceed the 2020 Budget amount of \$3,000.00 for the 2019 Mack Plow Truck. Raddatz stated this is a wear item kind of like fuel. You got to have. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Motion Durand/Moberg to recommend to the Village Board to approve the purchase of chains for the Mack Plow Truck with a cost not to exceed the 2020 Budget amount of \$3,000.00. Raddatz stated this is a tool - safety issue. This was put in the budget as a capital outlay. The one estimate is \$2,666.00. In an ice storm would you have put them on if you had them. Yes, and this style is easier to put on. We already have chains for the pay loader and the old plow truck. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Update was given on the 2019 Mack Plow Truck Driver's Door Window. Koch stated I shut the door and the window shattered because the window was down and the bolts were too long. So, they haven't said if they will cover it at this point. I have called around to get a new window. Originally, they stated they are producing only 25 a day I would not see one until the end of

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February. The cost for a new window is around \$275.00. Hopefully they should cover it. Raddatz stated the day it happened – it also happened to them in their shop. Why don't they do a recall?

Discussion was held regarding a plan for Furnace and Air Conditioning Replacement.

Thompson stated basically we got some bids last fall for the furnace at the Library. We starting talking that in the Office and Hall the units are also old. We would like to have a plan – do we wait until a unit fails or do we start replacing when we have the money. We did set aside some money in the budget. I think it was \$5,500.00. So, do we replace a unit this year or wait. The Library furnace is the oldest. When we had it repaired last year, it was really dirty.

Do we do it now or at the end of the season. Better to do it when it gets warmer out. Really don't want to be down during the cold weather or I suppose it would be up to the company on when they have time to do it. Do we have two bids on the Library. Thompson stated I have 3 bids. The Cushing bid was the cheapest. No overhead - Kevin Jones. Raddatz stated I will vote against that. The other two bids are Comfort System and Osceola(Comfort and Design). Comfort Systems never came out and got me a bid on the air conditioning. Is it cheaper to do both at the same time? Raddatz stated I would like to see us do the air at the same time. The committee should first decide and recommend to the board. Could we get estimates for the next public works committee meeting. In the meantime, if something goes down we have money in the budget. Let's get two estimates on the furnace and air conditioning and have the committee review.

Discussion was held regarding estimates for the 2021 Budget for State Street Crack Fill and Chip Sealing. Thompson stated so we got State Street that use to be the counties responsibility and now is our road to maintain. It is expensive to crack fill/chip seal. How do we want to do it? I got some numbers from Fahrner and Scott Construction. The chip sealing is from both. Crack Seal is just Fahrner. Do we crack fill the first year and do chip sealing the second year? Seal Tech didn't get me prices. Raddatz asked are we fixing that area by Norlander's? There is an Asphalt patch this coming summer 2020. The budget sheet is in your packet. I have started to look at 2021 because it is so large. Our total budget is \$35,000.00 for roads and I just wanted you to start thinking about it. State Street is a highly traveled road. We could use all of our road money in 2021 just for State Street. The items on the top are for 2020. Raddatz asked what needs to be done first. It is great to have some estimates to start thinking about. Are any of these for 2020? Thompson stated I am not prepared today to talk about this summer's projects. Just wanted to get everyone thinking about State Street in 2021. What roads need to be done. We kind of have an idea. Need to weight the importance of what needs to be done. Do you break it into segments? Raddatz stated it is less traffic the farther out. Do you do the heavy traffic area first. Need to look at the overall picture. Should review our road ratings to plan out the maintenance. If the budget was increased to \$40,000.00 in 2021 you could do it. State Street – Crack Seal First then Chip Seal. Can discuss more in the future. Let's look at crack seal in 2021 /chip seal in 2022.

Discussion was held regarding a 20 Year Equipment Replacement Plan. Raddatz stated I like it – the first thing I highlighted was the salt shed. Not a long way out. I didn't see the cage plow with the loader - \$15,000 to \$18,000. A new loader is \$130,000 to \$150,000. A lot of Cat equipment. Local contractors are starting to do some attachment sharing. Everything is the same hook up – share equipment. Start planning for it. This is just something to think about. 20 years on vehicles. The one ton is a 2002. Any questions on this. It is a good start. Thompson

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stated I didn't want you to be surprised down the road. Throw \$130,000 to \$150,000 for a new loader and the next line item would be a cage for \$15,000 to \$18,000. If we get a new mower then the tractor is more seasonal. It works good for sidewalks.

Any other Business: Are the Fire Hydrants being shoveled out. How are we doing on ours – what is the timeline. Last year did you blow them out. Yes, we used the snow blower or the one ton with the plow. Koch, we did have someone who needed community service hours shovel some of them out. Raddatz stated I was just thinking about this.

Tentatively planned next Public Works Committee Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at 2:00 PM.

Motion Moberg/Durand to adjourn at 3:09 PM. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

Jodi A Gilbert – Clerk/Treasurer

These minutes have not been approved.