

CITY OF BURLINGTON
Committee of the Whole Minutes
Robert Miller, Mayor
Beverly R. Gill, City Clerk
August 17, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Bob Miller called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. starting with roll call. Aldermen present: Bob Prailes, Ed Johnson, Peter Hintz, Jim Prailes, Tom Vos, Steve Rauch, Katie Simenson
Absent: Jeff Fischer

Also present: City Administrator Kevin Lahner, City Attorney John Bjelajac, Assistant to the Administrator Megan Johnson, Police Lt. Mark Anderson, Treasurer Steve DeQuaker, Streets and Parks Supervisor Dan Jensen, Utility Director Connie Wilson, Library Director Gayle Falk, Tom Foht of Kapur Engineering

2. CITIZENS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR AUGUST 2, 2011

A motion was made by Bob Prailes with a second by Simenson to approve the minutes from August 2, 2011. With all in favor, the motion carried.

4. RESOLUTION 4492(17) "A RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER APPROVING TASK ORDER NUMBER EIGHT WITH KAPUR & ASSOCIATES FOR CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES WITH THE SANITARY SEWER AND FORCE MAIN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT ON THE STH 11 LIFT STATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$38,000"

Mayor Miller introduced Resolution 4492(17) to council for discussion. Vos questioned if this was part of the filtration upgrade or if this was in addition to the upgrade. Lahner stated this was in addition to the upgrade. He explained that the system discharges into the sewer pipe which is a gravity line that runs along Chapel Terrance and Edgewood Drive and is one of the options to replace. Lahner further explained that the condition of the line is poor and is near its' intended capacity and would have to be replaced soon.

Vos then questioned the amount of money for the repair. Lahner replied there are two options with the cost ranging between \$180,000 and \$220,000.

Vos then questioned where the city would be getting the money to pay for the project. Lahner replied that it would be coming from the Sewer Utility Fund which has the funds now but would become part of the 2012 Budget.

This resolution is scheduled for this evening's Common Council meeting.

5. RESOLUTION 4493(18) "A RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NUMBER ONE WITH R.R. WALTON & COMPANY FOR THE 2011 STREET & SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,461.94"

The mayor introduced Resolution 4493(18) to council for discussion. There was no further discussion.

This resolution is scheduled for the September 6, 2011 Common Council meeting.

6. RESOLUTION 4494(19) "A RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER VACATING A PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY IDENTIFIED AS YAHNKE ROAD SOUTH OF HIDDEN CREEK LANE AND NORTH OF THE BURLINGTON BYPASS WITH REVERSION OF TITLE OF SUCH LAND TO THE ABUTTING PROPERTY OWNER"

The mayor introduced Resolution 4494(19) to council for discussion. Vos commented that it appeared to him that the land the easement is on should be returned to the tax roll as the lift station could be

serviced from the front. Wilson stated that the lift station is serviced three times a week and she wasn't sure they would be allowed access from the front due to the closeness of the bypass.

Lahner stated that previously the access was restricted to five-hundred feet back from the intersection by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. Since the jurisdictional transfer, the city could potentially approve a connection. Lahner added that there still is some question with the state as to who does actually have control and it is being researched at this time.

Vos reiterated that he felt it was a better idea to service the lift station from the front rather than driving through the subdivision several times a week and to return the easement to the tax roll.

It was Lahner's opinion that the land was already taxed because the presence of an easement on a parcel does not reduce the property taxes. He then added that this property is in the process of being sold and potentially developed. The city would work with the developer to ensure access to the lift station.

Vos then questioned if the easement remained, who would be maintaining the road to the facility which is only a block long. Atty. Bjelajac stated that it would be the city's responsibility.

Rauch questioned if the expansion portion would be developed. Lahner stated that as part of the Developer's Agreement at the time, that portion could be developed.

This resolution is scheduled for the October 4, 2011 Common Council meeting.

7. DISCUSSION AND UPDATE REGARDING THE ATTACHMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND TOWN OF BURLINGTON FOR PROPERTIES ON SOUTH TEUT ROAD AND TIMBER LANE

Vos questioned if it was the city or the post office that was requiring the change in the numbering of the street addresses. Lahner replied that it was the city's requirement because of a public safety response issue.

Lahner advised council that a meeting had been scheduled with the residents of Teut Road and Timber Lane for the following evening at 6:30 p.m. to discuss any concerns.

8. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Hintz with a second by Jim Prailes. With all in favor, the meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

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