



MINUTES OF THE IMPROVEMENT AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2019, 6:30 PM
CITY HALL, ROOM 207**

PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE

Immediately following Park Committee which begins at 6:30 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL.

Present: Andy Nicholson, Brian Johnson, Jesse Brunette, Chris Wery

Others present: Jane Hansen, Ald. Barbara Dorff, Ald. Veronica Corpus-Dax

B. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

Moved by Ald. Chris Wery, seconded by Ald. Brian Johnson to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
Vote: Yes- Andy Nicholson, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, No- None, Abstain- None

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Moved by Ald. Brian Johnson, seconded by Ald. Chris Wery to approve the minutes. Motion carried.
Vote: Yes- Andy Nicholson, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, No- None, Abstain- None

D. REGULAR BUSINESS.

I. Consideration with possible action on request by Ald. Wery for an extra bulk pickup week in May 2019 and a permanent change from March to May in future years.

Moved by Ald. Chris Wery, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to approve request by Ald. Wery to consider moving spring bulk pick-up from second week of March to the fourth week of March in future years. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Andy Nicholson, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, No- None, Abstain- None

2. Consideration with possible action on request by Ald. Corpus-Dax to include Alpine Drive for future road improvement project.

Moved by Ald. Chris Wery, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to approve request by Ald. Corpus-Dax to consider Alpine Drive for future road improvement project. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Andy Nicholson, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, No- None, Abstain- None

3. Consideration with possible action on the Department of Public Works Capital Improvement Program for 2019.

Moved by Ald. Chris Wery, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to approve the Department of Public Works Capital Improvement Program for 2019. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Andy Nicholson, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, No- None, Abstain- None

4. Consideration with possible action on the review and approval of McMahon Contract Amendment No. 7 for 2019 storm water facility vegetation maintenance in the amount of \$14,680.

Moved by Ald. Brian Johnson, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to approve McMahon Contract Amendment No. 7 for 2019 storm water facility vegetation maintenance in the amount of \$14,680 . Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Andy Nicholson, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, No- None, Abstain- None

5. Consideration with possible action on the review and approval of NES Ecological Services – A Division of Robert E. Lee & Associates, Contract Amendment No. 6 for 2019 storm water facility maintenance in the amount of \$49,050.

Moved by Ald. Brian Johnson, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to approve NES Ecological Services – A Division of Robert E. Lee & Associates, Contract Amendment No. 6 for 2019 storm water facility maintenance in the amount of \$49,050. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Andy Nicholson, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, No- None, Abstain- None

6. Consideration with possible action on the report of the Purchasing Manager requesting approval to purchase a Trailer Mounted Dewatering Pump for the Sanitary Sewer Department to United Rental for \$30,725.

Moved by Ald. Jesse Brunette, seconded by Ald. Chris Wery to approve the report of the Purchasing Manager to purchase a Trailer Mounted Dewatering Pump for the Sanitary Sewer Department to United Rental for \$30,725. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Andy Nicholson, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, No- None, Abstain- None

7. Consideration with possible action on the review and award of the following contracts:

A. PARKS PROJECT 1-19 (RED SMITH PARK SHELTER)

B. PARKS PROJECT 2-19 (EAST RIVER OPTIMIST PARK)

A. Moved by Ald. Jesse Brunette, seconded by Ald. Chris Wery to approve the award of contract PARKS PROJECT 1-19 (RED SMITH PARK SHELTER) to the low responsive bidder, MJI Building Services, LLC, in the amount of \$318,000.00. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, No- Andy Nicholson, Abstain- None

B. Moved by Ald. Jesse Brunette, seconded by Ald. Chris Wery to approve the award of contract PARKS PROJECT 2-19 (EAST RIVER OPTIMIST PARK) to the low responsive bidder, Peters Concrete, Inc., in the amount of \$348,964.40. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, No- Andy Nicholson, Abstain- None

8. Consideration with possible action on applications for Concrete Sidewalk Builder Licenses by the following:

- A. Allied Concrete Construction, Inc.
- B. Baeten Concrete LLC
- C. Chris Marto Concrete LLC
- D. Concrete Cutters, Inc.
- E. E & I Concrete Construction
- F. Frank O. Zeise Construction Co., Inc.
- G. JD Concrete Corporation
- H. Loch Construction Co., Inc.
- I. RG Hendricks & Sons Construction Co., Inc.
- J. S & J Concrete LLC
- K. Verheyen Construction LLC

Moved by Ald. Chris Wery, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to conditionally approve the applications for a Concrete Sidewalk Builder's License for Items 8. C and D contingent upon a positive review of references, and to approve the applications for a Concrete Sidewalk Builder's License for Items 8. A, B, E, F, G, H, I, J, and K. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Andy Nicholson, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, No- None, Abstain- None

9. Consideration with possible action on applications for Tree & Brush Trimmer Licenses by the following:

- A. Brickyard Contracts
- B. Bucklin Tree Service LLC
- C. Treeo's Tree Service, Inc.

Moved by Ald. Chris Wery, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to conditionally approve the application for a Tree & Brush Trimmer License for Item 9. A contingent upon a positive review of references. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Andy Nicholson, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, No- None, Abstain- None

Moved by Ald. Chris Wery, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to approve the applications for Tree & Brush Trimmer Licenses for Items 9. B and C.. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Andy Nicholson, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, No- None, Abstain- None

10. Consideration with possible action on applications for Underground Sprinkler System Licenses by the following:

- A. Irrigation Doctors LLC
- B. The Sprinkler Company

Moved by Ald. Brian Johnson, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to approve the applications for Underground Sprinkler System Licenses by the following:

- A. Irrigation Doctors LLC
- B. The Sprinkler Company.

Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Andy Nicholson, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, No- None, Abstain- None

E. INFORMATIONAL.

1. Director's Report on recent activities of the Public Works Department.

Moved by Ald. Jesse Brunette, seconded by Ald. Chris Wery to receive and place on file the Director's Report on recent activities of the Public Works Department. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Andy Nicholson, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, No- None, Abstain- None

2. The next Improvement and Services Committee meeting is scheduled for April 24, 2019.

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS.

G. ADJOURNMENT.

Moved by Ald. Jesse Brunette, seconded by Ald. Brian Johnson to approve to adjourn the Improvement and Services Committee meeting . Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Andy Nicholson, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, No- None, Abstain- None

VERBATIM MINUTES

- Alright.
- Let's bring Improvement and Services Committee to order. Let it be recorded that Johnson, Nicholson, Wery, Brunette are present. I need a motion to approve the agenda.
- So moved.
- Second.
- Motion by Wery, second by Johnson. Any discussion? I hear none, all in favor?
- [Together] Aye. Nays, motion carries. Approval of the minutes?
- So moved.
- Motion by Johnson.
- Second.
- Second by Wery. Any other discussion? Hearing none, all in favor?
- [Together] Aye. Nays, motion carried. Regular business. Number one. Consideration with possible action on a request by Alderman Wery for an extra bulk pickup week in May 2019, and a permanent change from March to May in future years. Alderman Wery.
- Thank you Mr. Chairman. I know this came up last year. It really came up this year with the bad weather we had. People had things to put out and the snow banks were so high and the weather was so bad they didn't get it out. I understand we still collected it, which was awesome. Our crews made it through, picked everything up. And it may be too late this year, obviously, for budgeting reasons, but is there any way to move this back in future years, later in the year, 'cause I know a lot of people are talking about spring cleaning, and March really is not quite spring cleaning yet.
- Well, and we did provide you with a summary report kind of documenting how we got to where we are. We actually, when we went and changed the bulk collection program as a result of the automated collection, we went and reviewed historic trends on curbside collection, and March was the actual time windows when the peak curbside was. We actually recorded how much we picked up this March, and even with the bad weather we were right on pace for what a normal collection for spring looks like, so that's why the March timeframe was selected originally. What you will read in the report is the same equipment that we use, the old rear loaders that we use for bulk collection, are also used for the spring yard waste collection. And going in April or May is gonna put us in direct conflict with spring yard waste, both for the use of the equipment and of personnel to do the collection. But even more so, what worries us is the material being placed out for collection will be co-mingled with the yard waste that's placed out to the curb for collection. So we're gonna have some competing ends there. So staff's recommendation based on, again, why we picked March in the first place, would be to leave it where it is.
- Alderman Wery?

- Well, sounds like all the reasons are in place not to do it. It's hard to use the same equipment for two different things, I understand that. And maybe it was just because we had such an amount of snow this year, we got more complaints than normal.

- And I would agree with you, I think that's likely what happened, because we typically don't see those Marchs where the storms stack one on top of the next on top of the next. Even if we get a break in between, some of that has an opportunity to melt off of the curb line. But it got cold and stayed cold and we had successive storms and the banks got bigger and bigger and bigger, which is kind of an oddity this year.

- Now what, my apologies, what week was it scheduled for this year? Is it possible to move it to the last weekend in March?

- [Man] It's always the second, well, when we set it up, it's the second week of March, the March one. And the second week of September, and the week of July 4th, and that last week of the year.

- I think we could definitely take a look at moving it to the last weekend.

- Could we perhaps move it back even two weeks?

- Instead of the second week, to move to the fourth week?

- 'Cause then you're at least, you're before the yard waste pick up, you still have your equipment, and the weather's hopefully getting a little better. That might be a reasonable compromise I think.

- [Man] And just FYI, purely information, the second week of March, historically, I just got some old records here I'm looking at. I don't know why, from the records, which is why we selected, initially, the trash volume, tonnage, spikes over a hundred tons more. Interestingly, 'cause you and I had talked about it real close after the second week of March, Alderman Wery, and just looking at the numbers, we collected 117 tons of bulk waste, that's not the garbage can waste, that's just the bulk. This year we also collected 117 tons last year for this, so I don't know if less people are each putting out more, and then the other people held back, or what. But the tonnage was the same, I was surprised to see that. I expected to see maybe a little dip this year, because of the weather during that second week of March.

- People were concerned that if they put it out, it would get mushed with the snow and not picked up, and crews couldn't get to it, but you guys did a great job of getting it all picked up. I'd make a motion for City staff to take a look at moving it later in March--

- Yeah, we'll definitely take a look at that.

- As it fits the schedule.

- Motion on the floor by Alderman Wery.

- Second.

- Move the permanent change in March, or, do we want later in March.

- Have staff consider moving it from second week of March to fourth week of March.
- Okay, sounds good, there's a second by Brunette. Any other discussion? Hearing none, all in favor?
- [Together] Aye.
- Nays, motion carries.
- Thanks guys.
- Item two, consideration with possible action on request by Alderman Corpus-Dax to include Alpine Drive for future road improvement project.
- [Veronica] Yes, this would be about.
- Some of us are hard of hearing. I know I am.
- [Veronica] This came about. Do I have to introduce myself?
- No.
- No.
- Not as Alder.
- [Veronica] As a result of residents in around the Alpine Drive and District 2 had contacted me with concerns of how bad Alpine Drive is getting, I believe between Mason Street and Van Beek, it is past a foot. And then Van Beek to, I can't remember what that last street is, is that concrete?
- [Man] It's all asphalt, but south of Van Beek is significantly newer pavement.
- [Veronica] Okay, so that's what it is, yep, yep. So a lot of potholes, a lot of big potholes. Someone had spoken to, a resident had spoken to a city employee, and the city employee had said, start a petition, get some signatures, that'll help get it through faster and get approval. So they started a petition I think, on Change.org, or one of those sites, and I think they have at least over 300 signatures petitioning to have Alpine considered for resurfacing. And I provided that link to Director Grenier.
- Steve, do you have the signatures with you?
- It was in an email, that Alder Corpus-Dax sent.
- Okay.
- I don't have it with me, but she did send it over.
- Alright.

- I'd like to see the signatures to see where they are.
- Well, and I did--
- Like are they all in the area?
- I did identify to Alder Corpus-Dax, there was a misunderstanding between what was said and what was heard, which is not altogether uncommon. We don't accept petitions, that's not how the program works. But, at any time, any Alder is free to either send in a formal communication, send it in an email, send a phone call, asking us to take a look at considering including a street in a future program that's open to any Alder at any time. So regardless of whether there was a petition or not, it's simply the fact that Alder Corpus-Dax reached out and asked us to consider including this in a future program, we will take that into consideration while we're putting together the program. We'll do that for any Alderman.
- Alright, yeah.
- [Veronica] Has that road ever been assessed?
- It had in the past, yes.
- [Veronica] It had been, do you know when?
- I would have to take a look at, it's in, it's just a matter of us looking up in the file when it was done, I believe that section of Alpine is about a 1983, 1984 vintage.
- [Veronica] Okay.
- If memory serves.
- [Veronica] So it was assessed since then? Or has not been assessed since then.
- Oh, I'm sorry.
- What are we talking about?
- No when you talk about assess, I start thinking--
- Assessments.
- [Veronica] Okay, sorry.
- Has it been reviewed?
- [Veronica] Yes.
- Yes, it's reviewed, every street in the city is reviewed every two years, in odd numbered years.

- [Veronica] Okay.
- So it was last looked at two years ago.
- [Veronica] Two years ago, okay.
- And will be looked at again this year.
- [Veronica] And then it was, so, reassessment. Has it ever been up for reassessment?
- Has it been considered for resurfacing?
- [Veronica] Yes.
- No, it has not risen to the top of the list for resurfacing yet.
- [Veronica] Okay.
- Chris, if you remember, I would say the last five years I've been calling to get those potholes fixed, but for some reason, they just don't take.
- The ones on Alpine?
- Yeah.
- We were actually out Monday this week, we had crews out there.
- [Man] And it is a collector street, off of a major arterial into a large subdivision, so it sees a decent amount of traffic by it. And I can attest that operations divisions have been on the road--
- I even requested you to, about a year ago, to go out there and take a look.
- [Man] Every year, we're out there patching the potholes. And there are some, I have to admit, some potholes that have pothole patching on them. And that were pre-potholed patched. So we're--
- So they were out there today?
- They were out Monday this week?
- Monday, okay.
- I'm just glad you remember, Chris.
- Alderman Johnson.
- Is that street due for any other type of utility service coming up?

- That's what we will be assessing. When an Alder makes a request for us to consider a street, that's one of the criteria that we take a look at. We will put that street in, take a look at what the condition of the sanitary sewer, the water main, and the storm sewer is, and especially if we have another project. Now over the past two to three years, probably the last three years, and probably going forward over the next year or two, definitely this year, it's a significant part of our program, and again in 2020, trying to close out the public side lead water service issue. That was a new wrinkle that kind of shuffled the deck over the last four to five years, trying to leverage all that work together to get those lead service lines out, and then rather to put patches out there, let's go ahead and do the street. All those types of things are taken into consideration. There are some streets in the Preble area, like a couple of years ago we had a significant project on Farlin that was driven by a storm sewer. And we didn't do the whole street, we only did the half of the street where we redid the storm sewer project for up-sizing. But last year we did a project on Smith and St. George Streets that was a full reconstruct that was also a storm sewer driven project, and we did that work ahead of the North Webster project so all of that could drain into the new Webster Street sewers. So there is a lot of those interactions, and synergistic effects that we take under consideration when selecting the program streets.

- Okay, I've got about a dozen I'm going to throw your way.

- Absolutely. We'll take a look at them.

- And I'm sure you get that all the time right now. I mean, obviously, especially this time of year, right. Things are kinda coming apart post-winter.

- Yep.

- [Veronica] So I was just here to ask it to be considered as a future project.

- Would it be appropriate to refer this to staff?

- Well actually I think what, I think probably the most appropriate would be to amend the request, and to approve a request to consider Alpine Drive for inclusion in a future project. I think accomplishes exactly what we want.

- That would be, I think, what happened, I think about Hickory Hill for two weeks ago.

- Yeah, and that's consistent with the actions that were taken at Council, on the other projects.

- Okay, that'd be my motion.

- Motion to what?

- To consider Alpine Drive for a future road improvement project.

- Okay, and then it'll come back, with all the, if it needs utilities, or?

- No, what'll happen is, as we're putting together future projects, all this does is it kind of puts it on our radar screen to specifically go out to take a look at Alpine to see where it would slot in.

- Sounds good.
- Second.
- Motion by Wery, second by Brunette. Other discussion? Alderman Johnson?
- Just one quick question, Steve. So this doesn't guarantee that it's going to be placed on a future capital improvement plan? It just means that you're gonna give it another look.
- We will specifically target this street, to look at it to see if it would qualify for a future project, and regardless if it does or not, we will get back in communication with Alder Corpus-Dax to let her know our findings.
- Okay, thank you.
- Okay, all in favor?
- [Together] Aye.
- Nays, motion carried. Okay, three, consideration with possible action on the Department of Public Works Capital Improvement Program for 2019. Director Grenier.
- Okay, since we brought this to you, I believe in February, there's been some discussion, so we've made some modifications to the program. And I can highlight those for you. If you go to what's listed as page two of seven, that's our local streets. We have included on the west side, Haven Place from Hillcrest to the west city limits, that project is now back into the program for this year. So that goes, has the effect, on page seven of seven, which is the financial summary, and then the last page of your hand-out, which is the wheel tax summary. So on the wheel tax summary, you'll see that we've added Haven Place resurfacing, at about \$275,000. And speaking with Assistant Director Brunette, the \$200,000 number that was in the 2018 program was based off of a 60% design. We are now at 95% design, so we have a better feel for what the actual costs are going to be, and we have seen costs escalate by between 15 to 20% this year. So that reflects a more accurate estimate of costs. One thing I do want to draw attention to is the line immediately above that. Again, one of the items that was listed for potential uses of vehicle registration fee money, was maintenance programming, and that's crack sealing and pothole filling. I had a conversation with Tony Fietzer, who's the Street Superintendent. The 2019 budget versus the 2018 budget, our blacktop materials account was cut from \$94,000 down to \$46,000. And then we also had to reduce our asphalt materials to come in with a budget that we could approve. So, in addition to road resurfacing and reconstruct projects, I think one of the complaints that I've been hearing, especially lately, is the volume of potholes that we're seeing out there. We have exhausted about 45% of our pothole patching money as of April 1st, and we've still got a long ways to go. So staff is requesting we take a \$100,000 of that vehicle registration fee money, and program it towards pothole patching and crack sealing. And the crack sealing, there's two different types of crack sealing material we use. One's more of a thermoplastic, one's more of a rubberized. The rubberized is more for joint sealing, and that type of maintenance. But the more plastic type, we've been doing some experimenting, and Tony's found some really good uses for some of this material that may be are a little non-traditional, so when we get these bigger potholes, that are kind of odd shaped, and they didn't really work with cold mix at all, and we've been

having problems because you can't really get the hot mix compacted and then they don't last real long. We've been really successful in filling them with this plastic mastic compound. So we have been looking to ratchet that program up. So about \$35,000 of the request would go to purchasing additional mastic, and about \$65,000 of that would be to purchase additional asphalt for pothole patching and maintenance. And those are the only changes that we had to the CIP that we had submitted previously to you.

- Question, Steve, where do we purchase our asphalt?

- We get it from Northeast, and it's actually a pretty good deal. What happens is, as Northeast Asphalt is manufacturing, putting mix together for other projects, typically at the end, there's small quantities left over. And what they do is they take that leftover asphalt, so it's perfectly good, it meets all the criteria for inclusion on the roads, and they essentially make oversized hockey pucks out of it, set it on the side and let it cool. And then once it cools, we're able to go over with a trailer. We pick those pucks up and we stack 'em on the trailer, we bring 'em back to the shop and we store them. Then when we go out with our hot box, you take the puck, throw it in the hot box, get it warm so it's pliable again, and we can use it on the--

- Did the City ever approach the County with their asphalt? Doesn't the County still--

- We were invited to, the Director of Public Works from the County contacted me, numerous years ago, I don't remember, three, four, or more.

- Was it beneficial or not?

- The cost was competitive, but at the time, we're still getting a decent rate compared to the County from the private side.

- So private was less expensive?

- Than the County's, yeah.

- Okay, that's all I wanted to know.

- Where is the County's plant?

- I think it's up on Scrays Hill.

- Okay, and I think that was the determining factor. I think the purchase price of the mix was comparable, but the haul distance from Northeast's plant versus--

- [Man] Add the time of haul, plus four miles per gallon.

- Okay, I was just wondering, thank you, go ahead.

- That's all we have.

- Oh, that's all you have, okay. Alright, questions, Brunette.

- Yeah, Director Grenier, the wheel tax revenue I believe was to, my understanding, was to eliminate special assessments and I know that some funding would be available for railroads and bridges, and things like that. But as far as the pavement maintenance materials, is that something that would extend the life of existing roads, or?

- Yes.

- Okay, so I guess how do we reconcile the fact that my understanding of the wheel tax was that we remove special assessments, but now we're using that revenue for something that someone could argue that the levy should be used for?

- This was actually a line item that was included that was part of the wheel tax memo.

- Okay, thank you.

- Anything else? If not, I'll entertain a motion.

- Motion to approve as.

- Motion to approve by Wery, second by?

- Second.

- Brunette, other discussion? Hearing none, all in favor?

- [Together] Aye.

- Nays? Motion carries. Moving forward. Consideration with possible action on the review and approval of McMahon Contract Amendment Number 7, 2019 storm water facility vegetation maintenance in the amount of \$14,680. Grenier.

- Each year the City issues contracts for vegetation maintenance at our stormwater facility. We've been doing this for the past several years. McMahon Engineers Architects has performed these services at the Baird Creek Preserve ponds, both the northeast and the northwest ponds, the Larscheid pond, the Mills Street pond, the Bascom Street Wetland Facility, and Excalibur pond. A lot of what this involves is invasive species maintenance and management, so removal of those invasive species, care of the plant vegetation that's supposed to be out there, and oftentimes we're doing controlled burns to get that vegetation to come in the way that we want. So DPW does recommend approval of this contract amendment in the amount of \$20,700.

- Any questions, if not I'll entertain a motion.

- Motion to approve.

- Motion by Johnson to approve, second by?

- Second.

- Brunette, other discussion? Hearing none, all in favor?

- [Together] Aye.

- Nays, motion carried. Consideration with possible action on the review and approval of NES Ecological Services, A Division of Robert E. Lee & Associates, Contract Amendment Number 6, 2019 storm water facility maintenance in the amount of \$49,050. Grenier.

- Similar to the previous item, NES has been performing the same services at the Royal Woods pond, Marina Creek stormwater management facility, Berger Street pond, the Huron and Sitka pond, the Christa McAuliffe pond, and the Yews At Shorewood Heights pond. So we do recommend awarding this contract amendment in the amount of \$49,500. It's shown as a contract amendment, essentially it's a brand new contract for this year, rather than going out for services, we're extending the existing contract.

- Any concerns? Motion to approve by Johnson.

- Second.

- Second by Brunette. Under discussion? Hearing none, all in favor?

- [Together] Aye.

- Nays? Motion carried. Six, consideration with possible action on the report of the Purchasing Manager requesting approval to purchase a Trailer Mounted Dewatering Pump for the Sanitary Sewer Department to United Rental for \$30,725. Who wants to handle it?

- I will take that.

- Okay, you got it.

- And I apologize, we had a miscommunication between Jim and I. There were three bids received. And why I'm apologizing, I thought we had it in the packet and it's not, so that's.

- It's in the packet.

- It's there.

- Is it?

- Yeah.

- Yeah.

- Okay, I don't have a hard copy here. So three bids were received, we are recommending award the low response.

- Sounds good.
- Move to approve.
- Second.
- Move to approve by Brunette, second by Wery, under discussion, hearing none. All in favor?
- [Together] Aye.
- Nays, motion carried. Okay, seven, consideration with possible action review and award of the following contracts. Parks Project, Red Smith Park Shelter. Parks Project, East River Optimist Park. Director Grenier.
- Okay, I don't have those in, so I'm just gonna pull them up quickly on my, 'cause I'm sure you guys have it in the packet, but I don't have a packet here.
- [Barbara] Do you want my computer.
- Thank you so much. Okay, so, Park project I-19, which is the shelter at Red Park, I can see why Alder Dorff was so cooperative. Three bids received, MJI Building Service LLC is the lowest responsive responsible bidder. We did get some the funds from Parks Department in the amount of \$318,000. Staff does recommend award.
- Question, what is this for, just the shelter?
- Yeah, it's a shelter, bathroom facility out at Red Smith Park.
- How much is being paid by, I remember, golly it was what, a couple of years ago, how much for the bathroom? I thought it was \$75,000.
- No, I think we started off-
- [Barbara] 185,000 is what we got for the Packer excess tax.
- Excuse me?
- 185.
- 185.
- Okay, then the rest is bonded?
- I believe all of this was, was some?
- [Barbara] It was supposed to be done last year. It was ready to go, something happened, it's been sitting, waiting for a year, so the money's been there for a year.

- But my question is what's being bonded?
- I think we bonded it last year.
- All of it?
- I think all of it's bonded money, and the bond request was actually--
- [Barbara] No.
- No?
- [Barbara] 185,000 came from the Packer excess tax.
- That's the surplus sales tax, yeah.
- Okay.
- [Barbara] And there was things added that were not what we asked for, the ADA compliance, there's some paths that have to go in. It has nothing to do with ours, but that was all lumped into this project.
- I have no idea.
- So the funding's been previously approved, we're just approving the contract?
- [Barbara] Yeah.
- Correct.
- Okay. So this full 318,000, I believe is what the bid is, that's already money we have sitting in an account somewhere?
- Dan, yes, Parks Department has that money.
- Okay, and part of the money is 185.
- That's what I'm understanding, 185,000 of it originally came from the Packer, the excess stadium district tax money, and the rest of it is bonded money.
- So out of the 318, 185 is out of the Packer tax?
- Yes.
- So why is 318 being bid, why wouldn't?
- We still had to bid the whole project, it's just where the funding's coming from.

- Alright.
- The funding's out of two different sources.
- Okay.
- And for instance, when you do the--
- I understand that, alright.
- When we do the sewer contract, for the resurfacing, we have three different funding sources for that, 'cause part of the work is sanitary, part is storm, and part is water main. So it's just how you make up that contract, where the money's coming from.
- Okay. So why, Steve, why is it this long to bring this project forward, I guess.
- [Man] There were a lot of issues with this one, as like Barb said, is some of the scope had changed, and then it was being designed by an outside consultant, and in the process of getting the plans to an approvable state, it just got to the point with the school there, and such, we wanted to build it in the summer time.
- Right.
- [Man] So when school was out, and we didn't hit the window for last summer. So we've got the plans ready now, it was bid, and now we're ready to go for this summer.
- So 185, I thought that was, what were the changes that brought it up to 318?
- [Barbara] I think it was the shelter.
- The individual changes, I would have no idea about. Again, that was designed by an outside consultant, not inside the DPW.
- Well, who sent the bid out?
- We put the bid out on the street, but we weren't involved in the design work itself. So we didn't put the original estimate together, and we didn't do the bid.
- [Barbara] Do you guys want to open the floor, 'cause Jane has some--
- Just one second. I'm still asking questions, I see Jane.
- [Barbara] No, she has the answers. I'm just telling you, more than Steve does.
- Okay, thanks Barb. I don't understand why staff, why wouldn't you have all the information, how it's all laid out, Steve?
- Because it's a Parks project.

- Okay. Why isn't this in the Parks?
- Because under ordinance, even if it's a Parks project, if it's in excess of \$25,000, we're responsible for administering the contract under ordinance.
- Yeah, but shouldn't you be briefed on this also? If it's coming from your department.
- To be honest, if we had the staff engineer here, those kind of questions the staff engineer would probably have the answers to.
- Who is that?
- Who's that, Emma, or?
- I would try Emma.
- Emma, Emma Brown.
- Okay. Alright, Jane.
- Motion to open the floor.
- Oh, I'm sorry.
- Motion, Alderman Johnson made a motion to open the floor to interested parties, second by Wery. Under discussion, hearing none, all in favor, okay. Now the floor is now open, just raise your hand, state your name and address for the record.
- [Jane] I'm Jane Hanson, Red Smith Park area.
- Address please.
- [Jane] 3489 Blackwolf Run, Green Bay. Last year it was approved by the Parks Department, and what happened is, I, it'll be three years in June that I applied and went through all the hurdles to get the \$185,000 from the Packer excise tax, for a bathroom. In the meantime, they said while they're doing that, they wanted to update the shelter, they're gonna close the shelter, and put a garage door on the front, and make it handicapped accessible. And that was all okayed last year with the Parks Department. And so now we were just waiting and waiting, and then it was going to go through last July, no first it was June, and then it was going to be September, and then it was going to be November, and then it was going to be February it was going to be bid out. Well it finally got bid out, and now it's got this far. Three years later.
- So what, Jane, what brought it from 185 to 318 then? Just the garage door?
- [Jane] No, no.
- Go ahead.

- [Jane] Whatever they needed to accomplish it, they needed to make it ADA compliant, which meant pathways from the parking lot to the facility. I think they were going to add a pathway to one other part of the park because of ADA compliance. They were going to close the shelter, which costed money. They were going to move electricity around and the plumbing around.

- Okay, so with that, the original scope, when it was 185, was simply to add the bathrooms. And from what I'm hearing from Ms. Hanson, then to enclose the shelter, and to add the pathways, 'cause you can't have people going across the grass, you have to put either an asphalt or concrete pathway in there, the scope increased on the project, that's what's bringing the price up.

- Okay.

- So it went just from the bathrooms to everything else necessary to get people to the bathrooms.

- But that additional increase was bonded for last year?

- That's what I understand.

- Yes, Parks has the money for both these projects now.

- Okay.

- Alright. Anything else Jane?

- [Jane] No.

- Alright, thank you.

- Motion to close the floor.

- Second.

- Motion to close the floor by Brunette, second by Wery. Under discussion, hearing none, all in favor?

- [Together] Aye.

- Nays, motion carried. What are the wishes of the committee, or anybody have any concerns or?

- Move to approve.

- Motion to approve by Brunette, second by?

- Second.

- Johnson, under discussion. I'm not going to support this, I didn't know it was going to be over \$300,000, 'cause I thought it was about 185 for just basically, I didn't know there was additions to this. We don't have the information. I'd like to see it, kinda, somewhat of a breakdown.

- I'll be more than happy to provide that to you.

- Could you?

- Absolutely.

- Alright, thanks Steve. If I can see that, that's no problem, and then if I change my mind at City, so, all in favor?

- [Together] Aye.

- Nays? Aye, I'm a nay, and I don't know about Wery. Okay, moving forward. We are at--

- So then we've got Parks Project 2-19.

- Yes, seven B, Parks Project 2-19 East River Optimist Park. Director Grenier.

- So that's a modification down at East River Optimist. I think last year, Dan Madigan came and appeared before the Parks Committee talking about those changes with, essentially they're gonna put--

- Down by Lau, Lau Street?

- Yes, the concession stand and then redoing that cul-de-sac, so that money is also, Parks has that money in their coffers. Two bids were received, low responsive bidder was from Peters Concrete in the amount of \$348,964.40. We have confirmed with Parks Department, they also concur with the award of the bid, so staff is recommending award there.

- Alright, any questions or concerns? If not, I'll entertain a motion.

- Move to approve.

- Motion to approve by Johnson.

- Second.

- Second by Brunette, under discussion. Hearing none, all in favor?

- [Together] Aye.

- Nays? Motion carried. Eight, consideration with possible action on applications for Concrete Sidewalk Builder Licenses by the following. Steve, do you see any concerns with any of these contractors?

- We have no concerns per se. The only thing we would add is for both C. Chris Marto Concrete LLC, and D. Concrete Cutters Incorporated, that these be subject to positive reference check. But other than that, we're all good.

- Okay, so what kind of motion do you want?

- Motion to approve subject to positive reference checks.

- Who's gonna, Wery made a motion to that effect toward Director Grenier, second by?

- Second.

- Brunette, under discussion. Hearing none, all in favor?

- [Together] Aye.

- Nays? Motion carried. Nine, consideration with possible action for Tree & Brush Trimmer Licenses by the following. Got any concerns with these three?

- B and C are straightforward, recommend to approve, and A would be approve subject to positive reference check.

- Okay, let's take these separate. Nine A, Brickyard Contracts, I need a motion to that effect.

- Move to approve subject to positive reference check.

- Motion by Wery, second by?

- Second.

- Brunette, under discussion, hearing none, all in favor?

- [Together] Aye.

- Nays, motion carried. Nine B and C, take together. Need a motion to approve.

- Move to approve.

- By Wery, second by?

- Second.

- Brunette, under discussion. Hear none, all in favor?

- [Together] Aye.

- Nays, motion carried. 10, consideration with possible action on applications for Underground Sprinkler System Licenses by the following. Any concerns, Steve?

- Both are good, recommend approval.
- Okay, I0 A and B, Irrigation Doctors LLC and The Sprinkler Company, we need a motion to that effect for approval.
- Move to approve.
- By Johnson, second by Brunette, under discussion. Hearing none, all in favor?
- [Together] Aye. Nays, motion carried. Informational, Director's Report, Grenier.
- Did we approve nine and I0, did you skip one?
- No, nine we got 'em, we got 'em all.
- Did I get 'em, Steve?
- Yeah we took B and C together on nine.
- Sorry.
- My eyes aren't that good anymore, so I have no clue.
- Real short Director's Report. We are planning for the storm that's coming tonight, based on weather reports we do expect this to be rather short lived. We're going to get some wet, sloppy snow followed by rain, and then temperatures coming back up into the 40s over the next several days. So we were out doing some anti-icing today. Staff will continue to monitor the situation and address accordingly. Did want to make you guys aware of a couple of things. We've had another rash of retirements and resignations, folks moving on to other directions. Two of our electricians, Jeff Hurt and Kevin Klassen, have both retired, so we are two short on the electricians right now. We are in interview mode, so we're trying to get those staffed as quickly as possible, but that is going to have some impact on our ability to get work done until we get those staff back up to full sun. Then, it disappoints me a little bit, but I can't begrudge these folks. Scott Retrum is going to be retiring on April 16th. Scott's a pavement technician in engineering, has been with us for 35 years, so God knows, if anyone deserves a retirement it's Scotty. He served us incredibly well, we're gonna miss him a lot. The unfortunate part is Scott runs the resurfacing program. So that is going to put a heck of a hole in our engineering division for a while. We're gonna spread the workload out as best we can, and get that staffed up as quickly as we can, but the resurfacing program may have a little bit of a hiccup here, especially early in the year. The other one was a resignation. Jamie Cynor, a pavement technician, runs our pavement repair and sidewalk programs. Jamie has accepted a position with the Green Bay Water Utility, and his last day was on April 5th. We are in the heart of trying to get that sidewalk, everything marked out, and a lot of the permanent pavement repairs, not just pothole patching, but the permanent stuff, especially with utility cuts and that kind of thing.
- Why don't you bring back Kevin? Or not Kevin, but Mr. Wong.
- Oh, he's in Arizona.

- It's a long commute.

- As luck would have it, the technician who's in our special projects, Josh Johnson, held that position prior, so Josh has said that as workload allows, he's gonna not only help pitch in, but he will be responsible for primary training of the replacement technician that comes on. So we are recruiting for both of those. We've got the recruitment open, we're not allowed to extend them an offer until at least Monday, because that went through personnel on Tuesday night, so hopefully you guys will be approving that on Monday. But we are working towards getting that done, and trying to get the workloads spread out so we can keep moving.

- Got a question, Steve.

- Yes.

- Okay, with tonight's storm, do you believe that, how are you going to approach this, 'cause how many inches are we supposed to have?

- The most recent--

- What's the prediction, and what's going to be on the surface.

- Reliable prediction we have is just a little bit over three for Green Bay.

- Okay, what's gonna stay?

- With pavement temperatures being what they are, we're expecting at least the first inch or so to probably melt.

- Okay.

- We're gonna get some accumulation during the storm, but again, national weather is telling us that at tail end, this thing's gonna convert and turn into a rain storm. So that will help do away with a lot of that snow on the tail end as well. Luckily with the warm weather we've had, all the curb lines are open, the inlets are open. We should have good drainage, as long as it doesn't come down five inches in an hour or something like that, to overwhelm.

- I don't think it will.

- We're not seeing the system being overwhelmed. It looks like more of a gradual melt-off. And then Friday, through the weekend, we're looking at highs up in the 40s. So we don't expect, I would be very surprised if by Saturday, we still have anything on the roads. And by Sunday or so, we're expecting everything--

- Well in your professional opinion with the information that you just shared with us, are we going to send any trucks out?

- At this time, we don't think we're going to have to. We've got everybody prepped in case we need to.
- Okay. When you say, need to, give me the scenario that you need to send trucks out.
- If we have over two inches of accumulation on the road, we will, we'll roll.
- In addition, if I might add, if there is any accumulation that sticks and stays on the arterial streets, which is 130 miles of our 460 some miles of streets, our arterial street trucks will go out, so that'll be 16 units.
- The sweet 16 will be on the arterials if we get an accumulation at all.
- Chances are very high that they'll be out for some period of time, but it's not, I don't expect it to be like a 12 hour or 16 hour day type of thing.
- Right.
- Just to keep it under control.
- And then, what about residential, do we really need to plow residential at two inches or more?
- At this point, we're not expecting we're going to have to, especially with the warm weather coming behind it.
- Right.
- But this stuff will all melt off.
- Okay. You answered my question on that.
- If weather conditions or street conditions get to the point where it becomes unsafe, we will roll.
- Oh I understand that.
- If not, we're gonna let mother nature take its course. As much as we can.
- I don't know, I just see it kind of like a waste, really.
- Well and that's, we're cognizant of that.
- I figured that, but I just wanted to hear it from you.
- Yep.
- And then also, 2020, Capital Improvement Plan with Mason and Main Street, was there any contact with the mall people?

- I don't think we've been in touch with them yet, no.
- Okay, do you know when you might make a call, or initial touch base?
- I need to get that contract information from Director Vonck. Those folks have been kind of hard to touch base with, recently, that whole East Town Mall thing is kinda slowed way down.
- Right, but can we try?
- Absolutely.
- Thanks, Steve. Appreciate it. Alright, any other, Johnson.
- Steve, there was a couple of meetings back, I think we had a couple of bids that came through that, where we only had one bid submitted for them, and you were gonna reach out to some of the contractors to figure out why they weren't submitting bids. Did you actually do that?
- Yes, matter of fact, we have, all the Public Works directors within the metro area, within the county, we have a Brown County Public Works Association, and that was a topic of discussion as we, actually amongst all of us, because several other communities were seeing some, oddities I think you'd call it, in our bids. Both with respect to number of bidders, and with respect to pricing. And what we're finding from all the bidders is there is so much work on the street right now the guys have their plates full, and either they're submitting high bids, counting on having to do things on overtime, or they're simply, their plate is so full, they're not bidding.
- Do you see that curtailing in the foreseeable future, or do you see that maintaining.
- We thought it was gonna curtail, we thought we were gonna get back to normal bidding conditions when the 41 corridor finished. And what we're finding is it's not necessarily other municipalities, there's a lot of private work, 'cause the economy is starting to pick up, and there's so much private work out there, and private, a lot of those contracts, frankly, are more lucrative than municipal contracts are, that contractors are bidding on a lot of private stuff. We've also got contractors, some of our sewer contractors are taking and picking their crews up and moving them for three months at a crack and they're working in the Milwaukee markets, they're working down in Fond du Lac, they're working all over the state right now. So it's not just a regional thing. We've got our guys leaving town and working on big projects elsewhere as well.
- Okay.
- Anything else?
- I would, a lot of the contractors, especially the sewer contractors, about five, six years ago, there was some consolidation, some down sizing, some guys got out of the business. Second generation firms, and the owners retired, nobody willing to take it on. That's part of what you see with the news reports on skilled labor shortages and things like that. We're hoping that with the demand here in town, that's gonna spur some additional contractors to come onto the scene, but that's us hoping.
- Brunette, you gonna open a company?

- No, yeah, gravel.
- Probably get a grant from the city.
- Brunette Gravel.
- Quick question for you Steve, I had a constituent question, it's under Director's Report, so I think you'll allow it.
- The Chairman will allow it.
- Chair, that's what I pointed to you.
- Okay, just go ahead, I mean, this is so informal, let's go.
- So street light on the bridges. Who declares when they're, do they get turned on every night at 8:00 o'clock, 9:00 o'clock. I know why--
- The street lights?
- No, the bridge lights.
- They come on, they're set on an astronomic clock, so it's at, they're dusk to dawn.
- That's every night, except for there was a situation where there was an earth.
- Yeah, the earth thing, where they were off for an hour.
- So dusk is when they go on, okay.
- Correct.
- Alright, thank you.
- Anything else? If not, I'll entertain a motion to receive and place on file.
- So moved.
- Second.
- By Brunette, seconded by Wery, Under discussion, hearing none, all in favor, nays, motion carried. Motion to adjourn?
- Well, actually, we just want to make sure that the next I & S meeting is scheduled for April 24th. We wanted to advise you that there will be another public hearing for assessments at that one, so please check your calendars. The hearings are at 6:00 o'clock, so we'd like to try to schedule the meeting to bracket that 6:00 o'clock.

- Steve, I noticed Parks had May 1st, for their meeting.
- Correct.
- Are we going to have a meeting on May 1st then too?
- If we go on the 24th, I don't think.
- I don't think we would.
- Okay.
- There would be no reason to do that.
- Just checking, alright. Alright, anybody have any input or anything on that? No, okay. Motion to adjourn.
- So moved.
- Second.
- Motion by Brunette, second by Johnson, under discussion, all in favor, nays, motion carried, we're adjourned.