

**CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
MINUTES
TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2011**

ROLL CALL: Chairman Craig Czarnecki called the City of Port Washington Board of Public Works meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Lower Level Conference room at the City Hall. Members present: Alderman Mike Ehrlich, Alderman Jim Vollmar (by phone), and Board Member Kevin Rudser. Also present were: City Engineer Vanden Noven. Absent and excused: Board Member Peter Hermann and Alderman Paul Neumyer, Water Supt./Commissioner Dave Ewig, City Administrator Mark Grams, and Wastewater Supt. Dan Buehler.

Public Comments/Appearances: There were seven residents of 415 North Lake Street present. Jim Vollmar would like to wait with the Lake Street project and utility burial until fall, saying it's worth the risk. Don Harvey agreed with Jim Vollmar. The wires are ugly and need to be buried. Patty Spencer thanked the City for getting the CDBG grant. She stated that the existing street lights are not reliable and are in need of replacement. Ron Kruchenreuther would not like to see wood utility poles in such a beautiful area. Existing poles are rusting. Jim Vollmar asked the attendees if they were worried about flooding this summer. They stated no. Don Harvey stated that he would prefer to delay the CTH LL bike path to pay for the overhead lines to be buried. Residents of North Lake Street would like to be notified of any meetings pertaining to their street.

New Business:

A. Consider Design Amendment For North Lake Street: City Engineer Rob Vanden Noven reviewed this item for the Board Members. He stated that the proposed reconstruction of North Lake Street triggered the requirement of the City obtaining a Chapter 30 permit from the DNR, with one of the requirements being a floodplain review performed by the City. The floodplain review was provided by Bonestroo, but was not included in their scoop of services. The cost of this service is \$500 paid by the borrowing and is eligible for reimbursement through the CDBG Grant. Staff recommends approval of the design amendment for North Lake Street. **MOTION BY MIKE EHRLICH AND SECONDED BY KEVIN RUDSER to approve the design amendment for North Lake Street in the amount of \$500.00 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

B. Consider North Lake Street Bids And Utility Relocation: City Engineer Rob Vanden Noven reviewed this item for the Board Members. He stated that per the direction of the Board of Public Works, he contacted TP Construction regarding delaying the Lake Street project until the bids have been opened for STH 33. TP would agree to delaying construction to either late April or fall. If they began work in late April, the project could be completed by mid-June. If the work is postponed until fall, WE Energies will have more time to plan the utility relocation and avoid any possible delays. The low bid by TP is \$327,174.75. The grant is for \$206,000. And the design was approximately \$20,000.00, leaving a shortfall of approximately \$140,000.00, so there should be enough money left over in the borrowing to cover the Lake Street Project. The Board of Public Works has also expressed an interest in putting all of the aerial utilities below ground, and replacing the streetlight system. The rough estimate for relocating the utilities is \$60,000 to \$100,000, and for replacing the streetlights, the estimated cost is \$40,000 to \$50,000. This money could be available if either the bids for STH 33 come in lower than expected and/or the construction of bike paths/sidewalks on CTH LL is called back or eliminated. One additional expense to be considered is Coal Dock Park. The match to the existing grant for the coal dock is \$250,000. This amount would not be available without borrowing. If the Common Council would like to see the aerial streetlights placed underground, staff recommends

approval of the contract with TP Construction, rescheduling the work for fall, 2011. If the Council prefers the utilities to not be buried, staff recommends awarding the contract to TP with construction starting in the beginning of April and completion by the end of May. **MOTION BY JIM VOLLMAR AND SECONDED BY MIKE EHRLICH to approve awarding the contract to TP to begin work after Labor Day. Motion carried unanimously.**

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION BY ALDERMAN CRAIG CZARNECKI AND SECONDED BY KEVIN RUDSER to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.