

**CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
MINUTES
TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2013**

ROLL CALL: Vice-Chairman Jim Vollmar 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, Peter Herrmann, and Kevin Rudser. Also present were: City Engineer Rob Vanden Noven, Water Supt./Commissioner Dave Ewig, and Wastewater Supt. Dan Buehler. Absent and excused: Alderman Paul Neumyer, Craig Czarnecki, Jim Vollmar and City Administrator Mark Grams.

Chairman's Business: There was none.

Approval of Minutes: **MOTION BY KEVIN RUDSER AND SECONDED BY PETER HERRMANN to approve the minutes of March 12, 2012 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

Public Comments/Appearances: There was none.

New Business:

A. Consider Re-Hiring Full-Time Seasonal Employees For Street Department: Street Commissioner Dave Ewig is requesting approval to re-hire David Soya, Jr. and Frederick Yates as Street Department Summer Help. This is Mr. Soya's 3rd year with the Street Department and this will be Mr. Yates' 2nd year with the Street Department. This is a 2013 budgeted item. Mr. Soya will be paid \$9.00 per hour and Mr. Yates will be paid \$8.50 per hour. **MOTION BY ALDERMAN MIKE EHRLICH AND SECONDED BY KEVIN RUDSER to approve re-hiring David Soya, Jr. at \$9.00 per hour and Frederick Yates at \$8.50 per hour as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

B. Consider Hiring Of Michael Kiener For A Summer Position At The Wastewater Treatment Plant: Wastewater Super. Dan Buehler is requesting approval to hire Michael Kiener for a summer position at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The summer position is a budgeted item for 2013. Mr. Kiener will be assisting with a variety of jobs around the plant including painting, grass cutting, and janitorial type duties. Mr. Kiener will be paid \$8.50 per hour. **MOTION BY ALDERMAN MIKE EHRLICH AND SECONDED BY PETER HERRMANN to approve the hiring of Michael Kiener for a summer help position at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Mr. Kiener will be paid \$8.50 per hour. Motion carried unanimously.**

C. Consider Rebuild / Rehabilitation Of North Clarifier: Wastewater Super. Dan Buehler reviewed this item with the Board Members. He stated that the Wastewater Treatment Plant would like to complete this project to achieve a "like-new" condition for the clarifier. This piece of equipment is expected to have a service life of another 20 to 30 years. The clarifiers were installed in 1990 and have been running for the last 23 years. The clarifiers had the bearing inspection done last summer to determine the remaining life. Staff was informed that we may have another 2 to 3 years of service remaining. Staff sent out quotes with suggested specifications that were provided by PERS, Inc. We received 3 quotes from companies that have a least 15 years experience with clarifier rebuilds. The quote from Crane Engineering for \$101,500 includes the Weir washer system installation; the other quotes did not include this item. This is a 2013 budgeted item. Staff recommends retaining Crane Engineering to complete this project for \$101,500 which includes the Weir washer system. **MOTION**

BY ALDERMAN MIKE EHRLICH AND SECONDED BY KEVIN RUDSER to approve the contract with Crane Engineering to rebuild/rehabilitate the North Clarifier with the Weir washer system for \$101,500 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Consider Cul de Sac Islands On Sumac, Elm, And Cedar Courts: City Engineer Rob Vanden Noven reviewed this item with the Board Member. He stated that at the last BPW meeting, Staff reported that at the PIM that was held on the 2013 Street Resurfacing Project, no residents of the many affected cul de sacs were in attendance. Therefore, since no input was received on the subject of cul de sac islands, each resident of Elm, Cedar, and Sumac Courts was mailed a letter. Out of eighteen cul de sac residents, Staff received only three responses. Ultimately, Staff received only one response requesting that the island not be re-built. No other written responses (positive or negative) were received. Anecdotally, Ross Kroeger stated that when he was surveying on Cedar Court, three residents approached him speaking favorably about the island. Conversely, while surveying on Elm Court, he noticed that residents there use the center of the cul de sac to park, so he was not surprised by the one letter stating that it did not want the island rebuilt. Sumac Court which never had an island when it was first constructed (the others did), offered no feedback at all. The cost to construct the islands is estimated to be slightly less expensive than resurfacing the center of the islands. The Board Members discussed this item and agreed to put the islands back into the cul du sacs. **MOTION BY ALDERMAN MIKE EHRLICH AND SECONDED BY PETER HERRMANN to approve placing islands in Cedar Court, Elm Court and Sumac Court as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

E. Consider 2012 Annual Report For Engineering Department: City Engineer Rob Vanden Noven reviewed his 2012 Annual Report for the Engineering Department. He reviewed this item with the Board Members. The Board Members thanked the City Engineer for his report.

6. Old Business: There was none.

7. Project Updates: City Engineer Rob Vanden the Coal Dock Park project, the Sunset Road Water main project, the tree planting that will start at the end of the month, the storm sewer project for alleys, the construct of the Coal Dock Park boardwalk and the Resurfacing Street project which will be advertised shortly. The Coal Dock Parks grand opening will be June 2, 2013.

8. Forthcoming Events: There is the Common Council meeting tonight at 7:30 p.m. and this is Kevin Rudser last meeting as a citizen and Jim Vollmar last meeting as an alderman.

ADJOURNMENT: MOTION BY ALDERMAN MIKE EHRLICH AND SECONDED BY KEVIN RUDSER to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.