Public Works Committee
Thursday, November 19, 2020
(Virtual Meeting)

Members Present: Tom Majewski, Sid Boersma, Fred Hundt, Lisa Reeves and Mayor Swadley

Absent/Excused: NA

Staff: Public Works Director Brett Hebert, Planning Director Rodney Scheel and Vickie Erdahl

Guests: NA

Call to Order: *Majewski* called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM

1) Communications: *Hebert* reported:

- The curbside leaf collection has gone very well this season and is scheduled to be end at the end of November. Favorable weather and dry leaves made a great leaf collection season. Due to the favorable weather, the street sweeper have been out much longer than normal, which has helped to remove leave from the roadways as well.

- Tree Wise Men will be finishing their contract for trimming in towards the end of November. The five year trimming rotation program has proved to be very successful. Adequate trimming is critical to ensure a healthy urban forest and to ensure that the proper height above the roadway and sidewalk is maintained for our users. Bids are due November 16th for 2021 trimming.

2) Approve October 15, 2020 Meeting Minutes: Motion by Reeves seconded by Hundt to approve the minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

Old Business:.

4) Update and Discussion Regarding Jefferson St Bridge: *Hebert* reported that all repairs have made to the bridge and the inspections have come back approving the opeing of the bridge for pedestrian use. By using in house staff and working with Strand and Associates to perform value engineering, he repairs that were made came back well under the anticipated cost of $20,000 - $30,000 at under $3,000. The bridge is slated to be replaced in 2022.

New Business:

5) Review of Advertising Initiatives for Public Works Curbside Collection Programs: *Hebert* gave an overview of the advertising the Public Works put together to educate the public on the various curbside collection programs that are available to the public. Items of interest included the city collection of brush, leaves and Christmas trees. As well as bulky item collection, recycling collection and the new curbside E-waste collection by Johns Disposal. A flyer will be sent out with the tax bills this year so that each household will have this information. Information has been included on the City website, Town Planner Calendar, Tower Times, HUB and on Social Media.

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6) **<u>Future Agenda Items:</u>**

- Downtown Planter
- Report out on EAB program final figures
- Report out on End of Year Yard Waste Figures

7) **<u>Adjourn:</u> Motion to adjourn by Reeves, seconded by Hunt to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 pm. Motion carried 4-0.** Respectfully submitted by Brett Heber

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