- Other routine tasks completed during month include cleaning storm sewer inlets, patching streets, and sign maintenance.

Old Business:

4. **Installing Community Service Club Signs:** *Manthe* reported that he had been in contact with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT) and that they will not allow signs put up in the right of way. The cities park rows are not large enough to support the size of these signs. It was suggested that private land owners be contacted to see if they would allow placement on their properties. Sharon Mason-Boersma is contacting Universal Silencer and Vennevoll to hopefully obtain permission to place the signs.

5. **Discuss & Recommend City Ordinance Section 58-8 (6) & 10-317 9a)(2) Noxious Weeds:** The original intend of this motion a year ago was to be in alignment with the State statues regarding the three defined noxious weeds. The issue that Mr. Sveum and Mr. Matson discussed before the committee in July had more to do with mowing and maintenance of vacant properties in which they were asking for some subjectivity with more definition i.e. heights and not be included in with the same rules as homeowner lawns. The committee felt it might be better to have a two tiered system for each type of property. **Motion by Tone, seconded by McKichan to direct staff to draft an ordinance with guidelines for two tiered mowing on empty lots with no buildings. Carried 3-0.**

6. **Paradise Pond Update:** *Scheel* stated that pumping has continued and we are expecting the pipes to arrive in the next several weeks

7. **Fourth Street Powerhouse Building Update:** *Manthe* reported that he had spoken with Rob Davis from the Department of Natural Resources with regard to the filling in of the tailrace and Mr. Davis stated that a Chapter 30 permit would be required and an erosion wall placed at the end of the tailrace. The estimate received to do this work is $25,000.00.

   Mr. Chris Cutts contacted Karl and stated that he would be interested in producing hydro power here in Stoughton. Mr. Cutts is going to contact Tom Reiss for additional information before moving forward.

   Mr. Carl Franseen contacted Karl and is interested in being a building tenant for a hobby shop. If this happened the zoning may need to be changed.

   There are concerns about the stability of the banks and it was suggested that gabion baskets be installed to restore the banks; the estimated cost is $40,000.00.

   Greg Jenson arrived @6.35 PM

8. **Wood Storage Update:** *Manthe* is still in the discussion phase with Mr. Bill Buglass from Payne & Dolan on creating an agreement for the site USH 51 East. Karl is also working to identify costs involved with preparing the site. The Tree Commission is applying for a grant that would help offset some costs to get the site developed. Karl is waiting for a key to the house so that it can be assessed for demolition costs; if anything can be recycled/salvaged and if there are any asbestos issues. The committee will be updated at the September meeting.

New Business:

9. **Recommendation from Parks & Recreation Committee to consider adding a street light on Furseth Road near Schefelker Park:** *Manthe* stated that recently there has been suspicious activity and vandalism at this park and neighbors have complained. The Police have been asked to

monitor the park more frequently but the wooded area and prairie make it easy to conceal activities. According to the Utilities guidelines for street lights this area meets the criteria with the one light that is already installed. However, at an estimated cost of $500.00 a private light could be installed as there is another pole near the park **Motion by Carter seconded by McKichan to refer this issue back to the Parks Committee. Motion carried 4-0**

14. **Future Agenda Items:** Paradise Pond Update, Wood Storage Site & Costs, Power House Costs and Noxious Weeds

Moved by Tone, seconded by Jenson to adjourn meeting at 6:55 pm. Carried 4-0.

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