

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**  
**10/7/2019**

The Board of Public Works Committee of the Whole of the City of Park Falls met in regular session at the Park Falls city hall on Monday, October 7, 2019. The meeting was called to order at 4:30PM by Chairman Thier, and the following members were present:

Chairman:	Anthony Thier
Members:	Dennis Wartgow James Corbett Mike Mader

Also present: Mayor Michael Bablick, Brentt P. Michalek, Scott Hilgart, Phil Bochler, Michelle Smith, Jessica Folstad, Tammy Hastings, Jason Hastings

1. Call to order at 4:30PM
2. Roll call: All members Present
3. Public comment: None
4. Chamber of Commerce – Request to use city streets for Annual Turkey Trot. Board recognized this as an annual request. Motion by Alderman Wartgow second by Alderman Mader to recommend approval of the Chamber of Commerce Request to use city streets for the Annual Turkey Trot. Voice vote with all Alderman present voting in favor.
5. Ice Arena annual agreement discussion and approval of open skate dates and times. Ms. Folstad identified the desire to keep with the \$2,000 contribution from the City and said they will be working on the schedule and dates for the City’s open skate. Motion by Alderman Wartgow second by Alderman Corbett to have the administrator work on the agreement with the Ice Arena to provide at least 5 open skate dates and times in exchange for \$2,000, and to bring the agreement to the November City Council Meeting. Voice vote with all Alderman present voting in favor.
6. Hastings Construction, LLC. – Approval of curb cut and downtown parking space reduction. Discussion with the Hastings regarding the type of door and façade, the Hastings volunteered a decorative door similar to the one shown in the renditions provide. They guaranteed that it would not be a white metal overhead garage door, and it would not be used for office space. Motion by Alderman Mader second by Alderman Wartgow to approve the decorative door as presented in the renditions and to approve the curb cut eliminating three city parking spaces, with the requirement that it be done to city engineering and design standards. Voice vote with all Alderman present voting in favor.
7. Eagle Point Solar, discuss possible city solar projects. Dave Pluym from Eagle Point Solar presented several performance and financial analysis for converting and subsidizing energy needs on city property. The analyses included City Hall, Police and Fire Hall, Municipal Airport, and the Swimming Pool. The Board asked questions on return on investment, types of materials used, origin of materials, life expectancy of the panels, and operation in Northern Wisconsin weather conditions. Mr. Pluym answered all questions and the board discussed next steps

including the desire of the Mayor to focus on a visible project location. The board discussed the swimming pool as the first city owned solar project in Park Falls, and instructed the Administrator to work with Mr. Pluym to get a site assessment and final cost for the swimming pool project.

8. LRIP Grant Project Approval - \$15,000 block paving project on 7<sup>th</sup> Street North from 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. to 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. Scott Hilgart presented the information to the Board regarding the grant funds. Motion by Alderman Wartgow second by Alderman Mader to recommend approval to finance to spend up to \$15,000 in match on a \$6,288 LRIP Grant Project to pave 7<sup>th</sup> Street North from 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. to 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. Voice vote with all Alderman present voting in favor.
9. Ash Street lift station pump approval. Presentation by Scott Hilgart for approval of the Ash Street lift expenses to finance. Scott detailed the lift pump request as the pump needs replacement. Discussion from the Board continued as the Ash Street lift station is owned by the Township and operated by the City. The Board requested the Administrator and DPW Commissioner work with the Township to remedy issues with that lift station. Discussions will be added to future Board of Public Works agendas. Motion by Alderman Wartgow second by Alderman Corbett to recommend approval of the Ash Street pump replacement in the amount of \$5,834 to finance. Voice vote with all Alderman present voting in favor.
10. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:25PM.

Brentt P. Michalek  
Administrator/Clerk