

**CITY OF ELKHORN**  
**Municipal Services and Utilities Committee**  
**Lower Conference Room, 9 S. Broad Street, Elkhorn, Wisconsin**  
**May 28, 2008**

Chairman Gary Payson Sr. called the Municipal Services and Utilities Committee meeting at 7:00 p.m. followed by Roll Call.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Aldermen Gary Payson Sr., Ronald Dunwiddie

Absent: Alderman Charles Van Dyke

Also present: City Administrator Sam Tapson, City Clerk Nancy Jacobson, Public Works Director Terry Weter, City Engineer Gary Welsh

**N. WISCONSIN STREET RECONSTRUCTION: UNDERGROUND CONSTRUCTION**

Motion (Dunwiddie/Payson) to recommend to Council to authorize staff to proceed with the underground construction for the N. Wisconsin Street Reconstruction Project No. 04-18 at the same time the WIDOT lets the project in September. Motion carried by the majority present.

In discussion, staff explained to Committee that it would be beneficial to begin the underground construction early so that underground utilities are in place prior to the roadway construction. City Administrator Tapson said there are two issues with starting early: 1) road conditions during the winter; 2) detention basin on the Brummell property. Committee was still in favor of an early start with the underground utilities as long as the public is informed of winter road conditions.

Alderman Dunwiddie asked about the future of the trees along N. Wisconsin Street after reconstruction. Welsh said they will all be removed. Public Works Director Weter said 80% are dead or dying. The others are in the way of the sidewalks. Smaller trees by the library may be moved. Replanting trees is in the reconstruction plans. Approximately 77 trees will be planted.

**NETTESHEIM LIFT STATION/PRESCOTT STREET SEWER BACKUP**

Motion (Payson/Dunwiddie) to recommend to Council to add \$125,000 to the 2008 sewer improvement borrowing for construction of a new sewer connection between the old west side sewer and Deere Road with a portion of the cost recovered at the time the Elk Creek development occurs. Motion carried by the majority present.

In discussion, the cost of a direct connection at the Nettesheim Lift Station to the WalCoMet force main was approved by WalCoMet but the estimated cost was considerably higher than anticipated and would only be a 24 to 48 month fix.

**SOLID WASTE CONTRACT AMENDMENTS**

Motion (Dunwiddie/Payson) to recommend to Council approval of a "fuel adjustment" escalator in the current contract with Veolia. Motion carried by the majority present.

**YARD WASTE PROGRAM**

Committee was in agreement to add two additional weeks of leaf pickup beginning in April 2009. This would result in a continual yard waste program for leaf pickup, brush pickup and chipping, and yard waste drop-off. Committee stressed enforcement of the policy. Those that do not comply with the program be sent a warning to remove their yard waste voluntarily. If it is not removed the City Public Works Department will pick up the yard waste and charge a fee for the pick up. If the fee is not paid, it will be placed on the tax roll.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion (Dunwiddie/Payson) to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Motion carried by the majority present.

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Nancy B. Jacobson, City Clerk