

**CITY OF CHIPPEWA FALLS  
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS  
MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY, MONDAY, APRIL 23, 2012 – 5:30 PM**

The Board of Public Works met in City Hall on Monday, April 23 2012 at 5:30 PM. Present were Mayor Greg Hoffman, Director of Public Works Rick Rubenzer, Finance Manager Lynne Bauer and Darrin Senn. Absent was Council President CW King. Also, present at the meeting: Alderperson Jane Lardahl and Paul Nadreau.

1. **Motion** by Bauer, seconded by Rubenzer to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2012 Board of Public Works Meeting. **All present voting aye. MOTION CARRIED.**
  
2. The Board of Public Works discussed teleconference participation at board meetings. The board reviewed City Attorney Ferg's comments, (attached), on the subject. Finance Manager Bauer added that she had recently attended a League of Wisconsin Municipality conference where it was suggested that meeting appearances by phone could be argued as a violation of the Wisconsin open records law and that anyone appearing by phone not be allowed to vote or be part of the quorum. **Motion** by Senn, seconded by Rubenzer to continue to require personal attendance at Board of Public Works meetings and to not allow teleconference participation. **All present voting aye. MOTION CARRIED.**
  
3. Paul Nadreau appeared to request doing his own concrete sidewalk and driveway work for a unit he owns at 430 West Cedar Street. This residence is part of the 2012 reconstruction project between Bay Street and Wheaton Street. Rubenzer cautioned that property owner's requests to do their own concrete work on a street construction project should be considered on a case by case basis. He continued that previous concrete work experience and having the proper equipment is a prerequisite. In addition, timeliness of work is very important for maintaining the project schedule. Finance Manager Bauer voiced a concern about setting precedence and being consistent. Mayor Hoffman stated he had observed some of Mr. Nadreau's work and that it was very good. **Motion** by Hoffman, seconded by Rubenzer to allow Paul Nadreau to construct the concrete driveway approach and sidewalk for property he owns at 430 West Cedar Street contingent on Mr. Nadreau being able to do the work in a timely fashion within the project schedule. Voting aye were Hoffman and Rubenzer. Voting nay was Bauer. Abstaining from the vote was Senn. **MOTION CARRIED.**
  
4. The Board considered bids, (summary attached), for the 2012 Cedar, Columbia and Spring Street reconstruction projects. Director Rubenzer briefly highlighted the difference in the bids, engineer estimates and the bonded amounts for each project. **Motion** by Rubenzer, seconded by Hoffman that the Common Council approve the low bid of \$553,802.80 and award the Cedar Street, (Wheaton St. to Bay St.), Project

Contract to A-1 Excavating of Bloomer Wisconsin. Also to approve the low bid of \$404,775.45 and award the Columbia Street, (Island St. to Rushman Dr.), Project Contract to A-1 Excavating. Also to approve the low bid of \$344,763.50 and award the Spring Street, (Duncan Creek to State St.), Project Contract to A-1 Excavating. In addition that Mayor Hoffman is authorized to execute all necessary contract documents and all three project awards contingent on Attorney Ferg's review and approval. **Voting aye were Rubenzer, Hoffman and Bauer. Abstaining was Senn. MOTION CARRIED.**

5. The board considered and discussed two bids, (attached), for the 2012 Concrete Patch Contract.  
**Motion** by Hoffman, seconded by Senn to recommend the Common Council accept the low bid of \$33,733.75 and award the 2012 Concrete Patch Contract to Jaenke Concrete upon successful review and approval by Attorney Ferg. In addition, that Mayor Hoffman is authorized to execute all necessary contract documents. **All present voting aye. MOTION CARRIED.**
6. **Motion** by Senn, seconded by Bauer to adjourn. **All present voting aye. MOTION CARRIED.** The Board of Public Works meeting adjourned at 5:55 P.M.

Richard J. Rubenzer, PE  
Secretary, Board of Public Works