

JOINT STREETS & SANITATION/FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES
February 28, 2011
City Hall – First Floor Hearing Room West

Streets and Sanitation Chairperson Dave Soeldner called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM

Present: Alderpersons, Scott McMeans, Christopher Able, Alex Olson, Allan Schema, Matt Kadow, Dave Soeldner, James Brey, Nic Levendusky and Jason Sladky.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Interim Finance Director/Treasurer Tony Scherer, Director of Public Works and City Engineer Valerie Mellon, Deputy Director of Public Works and Deputy City Engineer Greg Minikel, Fleet Manager Kevin Glaeser, DPW Business Manager Mike Huck, and four members of the public.

Discussion and Possible Action – 2011 Stormwater Management Projects

Alderman Dave Soeldner framed the purpose for the meeting in regard to the question concerning the funding of stormwater projects for the 2011 City Financing Plan. Interim Finance Director/Treasurer Tony Scherer supplied the Committees with a packet of information showing the current stormwater financing items. Alderman Soeldner then deferred to Director of Public Works and City Engineer Valerie Mellon to report her findings in regard to any future changes to Stormwater rules and mandates (NR151). Ms. Mellon reported out to the Committees what the City requirements will be in the future regarding stormwater issues. The Engineering Department has calculated the need at \$1,000,000 per year for the next ten years in order to meet the 40% mandate. A discussion followed regarding the State vs. the Federal mandates and some possible changes in legislation. There was a general consensus among the members that the need to fund the stormwater capital projects was not of a high priority in 2011.

Discussion then turned to identifying the specific items in the 2011 Financing Plan that the aldermen thought could be removed. Alderperson Olson brought forth the Dewey Street Project estimated at \$500,000, the Viebahn and 23rd Street land acquisition estimated at \$225,000 and the Viebahn and 23rd Street design process estimated at \$25,000 for a total of \$750,000.

A discussion regarding the funding of engineering services, in house vs. contracted/consulting services ensued.

Motion by Alderperson Brey and second by Alderperson Able to remove \$225,000 for the land acquisition at Viebahn and S23rd Street and \$500,000 for the Dewey Street Wet Pond for a total of \$725,000 from the 2011 Financing Plan. Alderman McMeans offered the elimination of \$25,000 for the Viebahn and 23rd Street design process as a friendly amendment. The amendment was accepted by Alderperson Brey changing the total amount of the motion to \$750,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Possible Action – 2011 City of Manitowoc Financing Plan

Aldersperson McMeans proceeded with the second item on the agenda for the Finance Committee to approve the 2011 City of Manitowoc Financing Plan.

Motion by Aldersperson Able and second by Aldersperson Kadow to adopt 2011 City of Manitowoc Financing Plan as amended by the joint Streets & Sanitation and Finance Committees. Motion carried unanimously.

Aldersperson Soeldner declared the meeting of the joint Streets & Sanitation and Finance Committees adjourned at 6:47 PM

Aldersperson Dave Soeldner Chairman
Streets and Sanitation

Aldersperson Scott McMeans Chairman
Finance Committee

By: Anthony J. Scherer
Interim Finance Director/Treasurer

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