

PUBLIC UTILITIES & LICENSING  
MINUTES OF THE APRIL 30, 2012 MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jill Hennessey at 5:00 p.m. The following members were present: Alderpersons Sladky, Hennessey, Braunel. Absent: Alderperson Soeldner. Also present: Steve Bacalzo, Rob Michaelson, Atty. Juliana Ruenzel, City Clerk Hudon, and Transit Supervisor Jim Muenzenmeyer.

Motion by Alderperson Sladky, second by Braunel to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2012 meeting. Motion adopted unanimously.

Rob Michaelson of MPU discussed the proposed changes to Chapter 12 of the municipal code relating to Water main extensions and Assessment Policy. MPU is requesting changes to match PSC rules. The assessment rate is being changed from 10% to 8%, the threshold for water laterals is being raised from \$2,000 to \$2,500 and a typographical error is being corrected. motion by Alderperson Sladky, second by Braunel to adopt the ordinance. The motion passed unanimously.

Steve Bacalzo discussed an issue regarding Silveridge Subdivision #3. The developer had some issues with the costs of extending the utilities to Subdivisions 1 & 2 and was seeking to **obtain service from WPS. It is MPU's contention that this is part of the original annexation and should be served by MPU.** This item for informational reasons only. No action necessary.

Transit Supervisor Jim Muenzenmeyer updated the committee on the progress of the transit facility construction. It appears the project is on schedule and should be completed by October 1. One change order will be going to Board of Public Works on Wednesday.

Muenzenmeyer indicated that he was asked to look at the air conditioner at the Lake Michigan Carferry Office and while there he took a look at the roof and found that the chimney needed tuck pointing and the roof needs some repairs. He got an estimate of \$800 on the chimney and the low estimate for the roof was \$2,500. Discussion ensued on whether Lake Michigan Carferry would share in these costs as well and what budget line the expenses would come from. Muenzenmeyer suggested taking it from the \$40,000 revenue received. Alderperson Braunel made a motion to ask Lake Michigan Carferry if they would share in the costs of the repairs, second by Sladky. Discussion. Alderperson Braunel suggested a friendly amendment to proceed with paying for the repairs if Lake Michigan refused to participate. Alderperson Braunel later withdrew the amendment. Upon vote the original motion passed unanimously. The lease will be reviewed to see if there are provisions for participation from Lake Michigan Carferry for other repairs and Muenzenmeyer will check with Finance as to where funds may be available.

Motion by Braunel, second by Sladky to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted;

Jill Hennessey, Chairperson  
By: Jennifer Hudon, City Clerk