

CITY OF ORTING
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES
October 2, 2019 2:30 p.m.

Councilmember Drennen called the meeting to order at 2:40 p.m.,
in the Meeting Room at MPC/Library, 202 Washington Ave. S.

ATTENDANCE:

Elected Officials: Present, Councilmember Gunther; CM Drennen arrived at 2:58

City Employees: Present, City Treasurer Scott Larson, Public Works Director Greg Reed, Secretary Laura Hinds, and Building Official Tim Lincoln. Absent, City Administrator Mark Bethune.

Professional Representatives: Present, Parametrix Engineer's JC Hungerford

Guests: Resident Sam Colorossi

Approval of Minutes:

Councilmember (CM) Gunther motioned to approve the minutes at end of meeting.

TRANSPORTATION:

Facilitator: CM Gunther, followed by CM Drennen when present

1. Guests & Policy Issues:

A. Exploring Congestion Reduction – No Updates from CM Gunther.

2. Phase 1 – SR 162 Pedestrian Bridge

A. State DOT Funding Status: No current update – Grant applications will go out in January 2020.

B. Phase 1 SR 162 Bridge Crossing, Scope of Work Proposal 90% design: Pending 'delayed' design review from WSDOT, Parametrix is at 60% design and now anticipates 90% design at end of November 2019. Parametrix will continue progress with the NEPA.

C. Rocky Road NE Easement Status – Appraisal: No Update

D. Treasurer Report: No Update.

3. Transportation Benefit District (TBD):

The TBD is a funding mechanism designed to tax City of Orting Residents \$20 per vehicle at time of renewing vehicle licensing tabs; 100% of this tax is returned to the City of Orting where 100% of the funds is used only for repair and maintenance of streets and pedestrian pathways. Please refer to RCW 36.73.010 thru RCW 36.73.180 for more information.

A. Chip Seal/Micro Seal: - No Update - Project Pending 2020

B. Sidewalk Improvement Plan: - Serpanok Construction needed to reschedule and start date will be October 15, 2019.

4. Capital Improvement

A. Whitehawk South-West Connector ROW: JC commented that the Scope and Budget passed at last Council meeting.

5. Operations and Maintenance – Mark Barfield for Greg Reed

- No transportation updates

End of Transportation

UTILITIES

Facilitator: Councilmember Gunther

6. Guests & Policy Issues

A. Baker Tilley –Bakertilly was hired to review and analyses Orting’s, Water, Sewer and Stormwater funds to determine the appropriate rate structures and other revenue sources needed for operations and the financing of capital improvements. A projection of revenues and expenses through 2030 will be provide at the end of the review for consideration; for determination of the rates and charges necessary to provide revenues sufficient to cover capital and operation expenses.

7. WATER

A. Water Propagation Study – Greg Reed – Greg provided maps of two proposed sites for pole installation; one pole installed at Well 3 facility and pole #2 installed at New City Hall facility. The technology of having the remote antenna’s in place will free up man-time from days of meter reading and provide a 90% efficiency. This project will be going to Planning Commission for the wood pole design & approval on Monday, October 7th.

B. Well #1 VFD upgrade – JC Hungerford – JC commented that one more site visit to Well #1 with water operators is needed. This project is on schedule to bid out this year.

8. **WASTEWATER**

- A. **Puyallup River & Rainier View Lift Station** – Permits were submitted to Pierce County for review of lift station at Puyallup River location.
- B. **WWTP Solids Handling Upgrade** – CM Drennen met with Greg and JC last week to discuss options for bio-dryers, for a Class A product.
- C. **WWTP Public Information Sign** – No Update – Pending vegetation installation at new shop.

9. **STORMWATER**

- A. **Ken Wolfe Setback Levee Lamp Process:** *The Ken Wolfe Setback Levee cannot be a COE Certified Levee without the Jones Levee improvements.*
(Jones Levee update) Recent update from Pierce County Council is the funding of the Jones Levee. If Pierce County Council vote for funding doesn't pass, then the project will go dead until another opportunity in 2023. Mark Bethune intends on attending the October 16th Pierce County Council meeting for the vote and to represent City of Orting.
JC provided a map of the proposed alignment for the Jones Levee setback. The map was from the Army Corps GI study of the Puyallup River.
- B. **Village Green Outfall @ High Cedars** – Pending permitting with FEMA. Parametrix to cover cost under design scope of work contract.
- C. **Review SWMP Plan & Code updates**–Going to study session for review and to move for Council approval in next month or so.

10. **Operations and Maintenance – Mark Barfield for Greg Reed**

- A. **Supported Employment** – Interview will occur on October 3rd to meet an individual who may provide support to the PW operations crew.

11. **Capital Facilities Update**

- A. **New Public Works Shop Update:** Building is complete. Support staff cannot move in to the building until network connectivity is made; potentially late 2019/early 2020. Operations crew are working out of the facility.

12. **Technologies**

- A. **Broadband in our Community** – Scott Larson is working on RFP selection for fiber connectivity for the New City Hall location.

13. Round Table

- A.** Greg updated the committee on the Asset Management/Work Order program, Aktivov. The list of reoccurring items and additional maintenance items throughout the year is rather lengthy. Greg will put a copy of the list in each the CM mail box for review. Greg also advised the committee that it may take the PW Crew several years before the program is completely activated and in full use.
- B.** CM Drennen asked how the PW Crew is doing on winter prep. Greg said that SW group has almost all the CBs inspected and outfalls appear to be in good shape. The PW Crew also opened the emergency trailer to see how sand bag supplies looked.

14. Meeting Summary/Action Items / Set Next Agenda

None

15. Meeting Adjourn:

CM Drennen motioned to adjourn the meeting at 4:25 p.m.

ATTEST:

Secretary Laura Hinds

Councilmember Drennen

Councilmember Gunther