

**CITY OF ORTING**  
**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**May 4, 2022, 2:30 p.m.**

Councilmember Bradshaw called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE:**

Elected Officials: Present, Councilmembers Bradshaw and Councilmember Williams

City Employees: Present, Public Works Director Greg Reed, Building Official Tim Lincoln, and Public Works Administrative Assistant Laura Hinds and City Administrator Scott Larson. Absent Finance Director Gretchen Russo and City Clerk Kim Agfalvi

Professional Representatives: Consultant Engineer JC Hungerford

Guests or Public Comment: Kyler Rydeen – Eagle Scout, presenting bat boxes.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

CM Bradshaw motion to approve the minutes of March 2, 2022 and April 6, 2022 for approval. CM Williams second the motion and it carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT & PRESENTATIONS:** Kyler Rydeen is working on his Eagle Scout Project and is requesting permission from the City to install a bat box, which he designed and built. The committee approved the project and requested it be installed at the WRRF and that Kyler present his project at the next Council meeting.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**1. Engineering – Update by JC Hungerford**

- 1.1 Whitehawk Blvd Extension** – Consultant Engineer Hungerford explained that this project is currently at a standstill for Federal permitting due to publications regarding ‘tire dust’ impacting salmon streams. National Marine Fisheries is not willing to provide reviews and consultation for federally funded projects until the science behind ‘tire dust’ is available. Science backing this issue could be available in the next month or in the next 2 years. By Statute, Federally Funded projects have 135 days to provide consultation, however, are not willing to move forward regardless of the Statute until more is learned. The Federal Funding comes from WSDOT, so the City’s relationship is through the State. Therefore, a complaint from the City would be directed to the State of WA. The City of Orting is not the only City in the Region impacted by this decision. The delay will set the project back for funding obligations.
- 1.2 Kansas St SW Reconstruction** – Consultant Engineer Hungerford working on design with Public Works Director Reed.

- 1.3 **Village Green Outfall** – Project is ready for bidding, pending signature from High Cedars Golf Course to allow for easement access. The property owner hasn't been available for discussion or signature.  
Funding for this project expires in October 2022. There's also a small fish window for the project to take place. Without the signature, the project cannot move forward.
- 1.4 **Kansas Outfall/Calistoga St W Stormwater Improvements** – Bids were opened on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Sound Pacific Construction was the low bidder. At this time, it's recommended to award the base bid of Schedule A to lowest responsible bidder and rebid Schedule B for 2023. Schedule A is for replacing the stormwater outfall from Kansas & Calistoga, towards the Puyallup River just behind the levee, which is floating on top of the ground during high water events. Schedule B would replace and upsize stormwater capacity on Calistoga St W from Eldredge St to Kansas St S. **Will go to next Study Session for award.**
- 1.5 **2020 Lift Station Improvements** – Project is nearly complete.
- 1.6 **WRRF Improvements Update** – Consultant Engineer Hungerford presented a slide show for design update. Project is at 60% design and currently projected to be around \$16.6 Million. This cost is expected to go down with grants and should have a better handle on the capital cost by study session. **Will go to next Study Session for update.**
- 1.7 **SR 162 E Bridge** – A scope and budget for 90 to 100% design on bridge **will go to Study Session** for approval to bring project to 100%. CA Larson would like this on the street for bidding this August.

## 2. Administration – Scott Larson

- 2.1 Sidewalk Letters project started on May 5<sup>th</sup>. Around 100 letters are expected to be mailed out. The City will waive the permit fee but would like an application filled out for building records.
- 2.2 Memorial Wall in Main Park will start to see a face lift in the next week or so. Weather pending.
- 2.3 Update – The Welcome to Orting sign (reader board) was installed without a permit. WSDOT is requiring a conditional use permit for easement and installation of the electronic reader board.

## 3. Public Works – Greg Reed

- 3.1 Fencing Repairs – In progress
- 3.2 Filling Positions – Working on review of application for 2 MW I's.
- 3.3 Flushing Operations – Did well and complete. Very few complaints
- 3.4 City Hall Clock – Installed at New City Hall on May 6<sup>th</sup>.

## New Business

- 3.5 Chlorinator Well #4 – in progress
- 3.6 2-2" Service line Hyw SR 162 – in progress
- 3.7 Majestic View Estates – Found a nearby blow-off that could be an option. Assisting HOA to figure out low overhead contractors.
- 3.8 Vactor rental for Catch Basin cleaning expected to arrive on Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup>
- 3.9 Touch-a-Truck event scheduled July 29<sup>th</sup>.

4. **Finance – Gretchen Russo**

4.1 No updates

5. **Councilmember Comments**

5.1 No comments

**Round Table:**

CA Larson mentioned that JC has a scope and budget for 90 to 100% design on Pedestrian Bridge. See Item 1.7.

**Meeting Summary: (for Study Session)**

1.4 Kansas Outfall/Calistoga St SW Stormwater Improvements

1.6 WRRF Update

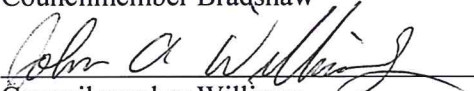
1.7 SR 162 E Pedestrian Bridge

**Adjourn:** CM Bradshaw motion to adjourn at 3:31 pm

**Attest:**

  
Secretary Laura Hinds

  
Councilmember Bradshaw

  
Councilmember Williams