

CITY OF ORTING
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES
January 4, 2023, 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, Councilmember Don Tracy

City Employees: Present, City Clerk Kim Agfalvi, Executive Assistant Danielle Charchenko, Public Works Director Greg Reed, Capital Projects Manager John Bielka, Public Works Administrative Assistant Laura Hinds, WRRF Supervisor Steve Daskam and PW Records Clerk Alison Williams. Absent, City Administrator Scott Larson and Gretchen Russo.

Professional Representatives: Consultant Engineer JC Hungerford

Guests or Public Comment: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

CM Bradshaw motion to approve the minutes of December 7, 2022 for approval. CM Williams second the motion and it carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT & PRESENTATIONS:

No Comments

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

1. Engineering – Update by JC Hungerford

- 1.1 Whitehawk Blvd NW Extension** –Parametrix received comments from WSDOT on December 21st regarding the Bio-Assessment (BA) and are addressing those comments and returning to WSDOT for another round of review.
- 1.2 Kansas St SW Reconstruction** – Parametrix completed the Scope Design, did not trigger the tire dust issue but will require a full NEPA and not anticipating any impacts.
- 1.3 Village Green Outfall** – JC has tried several times by phone and in person to reach the Manager of the High Cedars Golf Course and has had no luck. He’s suggesting a representative from the City may have better luck.
CM Bradshaw asked if there are other options for the project. JC stated there’s the movement option by relocating the outfall, however that would require redesign of the structure for realignment & permitting.

- 1.4 **Kansas St SW & Calistoga St W Outfall Improvement** – Mutual agreement between Sound Pacific Construction (contractor) and City to suspend the project until late spring 2023. Materials for the project is being stored on the Corliss property next to project site.
- 1.5 **SR 162 E Pedestrian Bridge** – Project design due by January 15, 2023.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1.6 **NPDES SMAP Phase 3** – Scope and Budget attached in agenda packet for review. Due March 31st. Will move forward to Study Session for approval for consent agenda.

2. Administration – Scott Larson

- 2.1 **Compost Procurement Ordinance** – Attached in agenda packet for review. In March 2022, HB 1799 was signed into Washington law. The primary goal of the law is to increase the diversion of organic materials going to landfills in order to reduce methane emissions as landfills are a significant source of methane emissions. This reduction will occur through the production of compost from the diverted organic materials. See HB 1799 for more information. Will move forward to Study Session for approval for consent agenda.
- 2.2 **Murrey’s Disposal 2022 Rate Changes** – *Section 8.2.1* of the Franchise Agreement between the City of Orting and Murrey’s Disposal, effective April 2012, provides for an annual CPI adjustment equal to 80% of the change in the 1st half semi-annual percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, U.S. Department of Labor, Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue area for the year preceding the rate adjustment. Eighty percent of the CPI change for this period is 7.15%. *Section 8.3.1* of the Agreement provides for disposal fee adjustments to be made to collection rates to reflect changes to the Pierce county disposal fees. On March 1, 2023 the landfill rate in Pierce County will increase from \$166.45 per ton to \$1071.23 per ton. Murrey’s will notify its customers 45 days before the increase. Will move forward to Study Session for approval for consent agenda.

3. Public Works – Greg Reed

- 3.1 **Street Lighting** – PSE has been notified of streets lights that are out within City Limits. There were around 20 notifications submitted.

NEW BUSINESS

- 3.2 **703 Kansas St SW Remodel** – City Public Works employees worked, when available, for several weeks during December on the remodel. Interior paint, lighting and electrical, fixtures and flooring were updated. Materials for new countertops have been ordered. Exterior landscape was cleaned up, vegetation debris and other garbage removed. An electrician will be in to work on some of the electrical issues that PW is not certified to do. During the remodel, roofing leaks were discovered around the porch. As a result, it was found that there are no roofing vents. This was a cause for request for bid to see about roof repair or replacement.

3.3 Well #1 – Regenerating Media – Water Operators have been working to clean the media up by applying citric acid to the media to help reduce/remove the silica buildup that has coated the media. Following that, inject a 5% solution of potassium permanganate solution. This process is to help reduce the brown water issue that occurs from a natural occurring element called Manganese. Next step will be to remove the media from the four filter tanks to aerate the media and reinstall into the 4 filter tanks.

3.4 Carbon River Lift Station – Pump Replacement – WRRF Supervisor Steve Daskam discussed the pump issues at this lift station. The Lift Station should have 2 pumps installed, currently there is only one. The second is set in place for contingency. Since the pumps are relatively same age, Steve requested quotes for replacement and option for rebuild. He received quotes for each and the difference for a new pump is under \$700. The committee agreed to order 2 new pumps and try to salvage one of the two old pumps for rebuild and keep on the shelf as a backup. Will move forward to Study Session for discussion. This purchase would be a sole source through Whitney Equipment Company, Inc.

4. Finance – Gretchen Russo

4.1 No Comments

5. Councilmember Comments

5.1 Discussed the speed data on Varner Ave SE. John will see if data will be available for next meeting.

5.2 PWs is looking at cross-walks with lighting or no lighting to see if improvement is needed at those locations. And consider in-ground street lighting for heavily used cross-walks. Greg will research options.

Round Table:

None

Meeting Summary: (for Study Session)

1.6 NPDES SMAP Phase 3

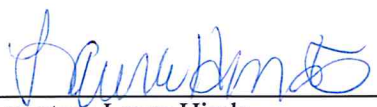
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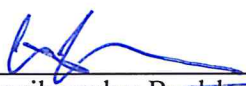
2.2 Murrey's Disposal 2022 Rate Changes

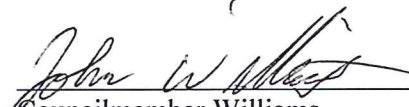
3.1 Carbon River Lift Station – Pump Replacement

Adjourn: CM Bradshaw motion to adjourn at 3:14 pm

Attest:


Secretary Laura Hinds


Councilmember Bradshaw MOORE


Councilmember Williams