

**CITY OF WATERLOO PUBLIC WORKS & PROPERTY COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING MINUTES: July 2, 2020**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL. Committee Chair Petts called the regular meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. meeting remotely. Committee members present Petts, Schoenwetter and Rhynes. Absent: none. Others attending: Alder Charles Kuhl; Parks Coordinator Gabe Haberkorn; Public Works Director Chad Yerges and Clerk/Treasurer Hansen.
2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES. MOTION: Moved by Rhynes, seconded by Schoenwetter to approve the June meeting minutes. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.
3. CITIZEN INPUT / PUBLIC COMMENT. None.
4. 2019-2020 PROJECT/PROGRAM UPDATES. Yerges said placement of fill soil for the Treyburn project was 75% completed.
5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
  - a. Mayor's Tree Policy Research Relating To Tree Removal In Public Right-Of-Way And Private Access To Wood. MOTION: Moved by Schoenwetter, seconded by Rhynes to recommend Council approval of an ordinance update to update relating to tree policy based on the meeting material with the removal of a specific wood section and the flipping of two sentences identified by participants. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.
  - b. Policy Review – Removal Of Sidewalk Snow On Dead-end Street. MOTION: Moved by Rhynes, seconded by Schoenwetter to recommend Council approval of an updated resolution with Derby Drive marked. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.
6. NEW BUSINESS
  - a. Review Of Herbicide, Pesticide And Insecticide Use. DISCUSSION: Petts stated a dislike for use of these items. Rhynes asked about torching. Yerges said Round-Up is cost effective. Rhynes said it is not healthy to inhale. He noted Monsanto recently settled a \$2.2 billion lawsuit. Petts asked for friendlier alternatives. She said chemical use near the river goes into the watershed. Rhynes said he would like to see a cost difference between torching and chemical use, perhaps a test patch.
  - b. 2020 Budget considerations
    - i. § 53-14 Recommending updated multi-year capital improvement plan to Finance, Insurance & Personnel Committee
      1. Street surface maintenance program. DISCUSSION: Yerges said all mid-range PASER rated streets were addressed so no expenditures occurred this year.
      2. Street/Utility reconstruction plan
    - ii. Operational budget. DISCUSSION: Yerges said the operating budget would be status quo except for wreath purchases and seasonal banners.
      1. Programs & Services provided
7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
  - a. Committee Calendar. Noted.
  - b. Jason Schoenwetter said misuse of dumpsters by the public at the park should be taken up.
8. ADJOURNMENT. MOTION: Moved by Schoenwetter, seconded by Rhynes to adjourn. The time was approximately 6:42 pm. Motion carried



Attest:  
Mo Hansen  
Clerk/Treasurer