

# TOWN OF ST. GERMAIN

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## MINUTES PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE: APRIL 8, 2011

1. **Call To Order: Committee chairman, John Vojta at 7:00 A.M, called the meeting to order.**  
The chairman noted that this was a duly called meeting in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Laws.
2. **Roll Call:** John Vojta, Peggy Nimz, Tim Ebert, Todd Wiese, Jim Lenz (came in late), Tom Martens, town clerk. Mike Koehler from Veolia, Tammy Schmidt from Northern Waste and Alan Albee from Eagle Waste and Walt Camp were also present.
3. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion Wiese seconded Nimz that the agenda be approved as amended in any order at the discretion of the chairman. Approved.
4. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion Nimz seconded Wiese that approval of the minutes of the February 22, 2011 meeting be approved as written. Approved. Tim Ebert abstained.
5. **Items for Consideration--(Approve, Disapprove, Table):**
  - 5.1 **Open Transfer Station Bids:** Eagle Waste Proposal: Bags \$3.00; Dumpsters \$65/mo during the winter and \$620/mo during the summer. The garbage would be hauled to Hwy. G. Northern Waste Proposal Option #1: Flat fee of \$7,000/yr. Bags \$2.50 or Stickers \$2.25. Dumpsters \$5,700/yr. Option #2: Flat fee of \$5,000/yr. Bags \$3.00 or Stickers \$2.75. Dumpsters \$5,700/yr. Garbage hauled to Lincoln County. Veolia Proposal: Flat fee of \$8,000 plus \$4,402.41 for transfer station. Bags \$2.50. Option #2: If the town continued operating the site \$12,413.49 plus \$4,402.41 for transfer station. Garbage hauled to Hwy. J in Woodruff.
  - 5.2 **Make Recommendation for Transfer Station to Town Board:** Motion Nimz seconded Lenz that the committee recommends the proposal from Eagle Waste to the town board. Mr. Wiese and Mr. Lenz and Mr. Ebert were opposed. Motion failed. The clerk is to work out a spreadsheet for the bids.
  - 5.3 **Town Shop Phone (Vojta):** Mr. Vojta noted that Ms. Nimz had been paying for the internet service as the shop. The town board will now have to decide what it wants to do. Mr. Vojta also would like to see copies of the March phone bills to make sure that all of the changes have been made.
  - 5.4 **DPW Policies/Authorization, Communications, Access, DPW Needs, etc. (Ebert):** Mr. Ebert stated that he had worked hard to have the repeater at the shop. Then at the last town board meeting the fire chief came in and asked that it be left at the fire station. The town board had agreed. Mr. Ebert said that he was upset that the town board had not asked him about the change. The fire department had not tried to see if the truck-to-truck radios worked for them. There are times when Mr. Ebert and Mike VanMeter need to communicate from one end of town to the other. The truck-to-truck radios will not work at that distance. The inmate from McNaughton also needs to be in constant contact with Mr. Ebert. The truck-to-truck radio would not work. Mr. Ebert also stated that he needed keys to the rooms at the fire department. The inmate is not allowed to use a cell phone. Mr. Vojta will have the matter placed on the town board agenda.
  - 5.5 **Purchase of a New Copy/Fax Machine (Ebert):** Mr. Ebert stated that the copy/fax machine at the shop was not working very well. He had priced a machine for \$529.99. Ms. Nimz suggested that he check at Office Max. The clerk suggested checking at Silver Bay. The new machine that he purchased was less than \$300.
  - 5.6 **Steel for 1-Ton Doors and Fenders (Ebert):** Mr. Ebert stated that the box, doors and fenders of the 1-ton truck needed to be replaced. Heavier metal cost \$662.00. Lighter metal cost \$501.40. Doors cost \$150, and fenders cost \$175.
6. **Communications:** Mr. Vojta stated that he had received letters of resignation from Mr. Wiese and Mr. Lenz from the public works committee. He also stated that an inspector had gone through the pavilion. The dishwasher and worktables need to be replaced. It also needs a hand sink. There is a

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quote from RJN Plumbing for \$521 to put in the sink. Other organizations will have to pay for the dishwasher and worktables.

**7. Citizens Concerns:** There were none.

**8. Committee Concerns:**

**Tim Ebert:** Mr. Ebert stated that he had a key for room #6. He also was replacing the basketball nets in the gym.

**Tom Martens:** Mr. Martens said that he would not be able to work on the spreadsheet until later next week.

**9. Set Date and Time of Next Meeting:** The next Public Works Committee meeting will be scheduled as needed.

**10. Adjournment:** Motion Nimz seconded Lenz that the meeting be adjourned. Approved. Meeting adjourned 8:00 A.M.

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Chairman

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Vice Chair

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