

*****ATTACHMENTS*****

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R. O. No. 235 - 15 - 16. By CITY CLERK. December 21, 2015.

Submitting a communication from Joseph R. Lamb, President of Mid-Lake Softball Organization, wishing to present to the Public Works Committee a plan/proposal for new scoreboards.

Pub. Wks.

City Clerk

December 18th, 2015

To: Sheboygan Common Council

We are requesting that this letter be forwarded to the Department of Public Works Committee so we can update them on what has happened at Wilwood Softball Complex in 2015.

We would also like to present a plan/proposal for new scoreboards which would need their action as per the agreement between the City of Sheboygan and the MLSO

Thank you



Joseph R Lamb

President, Mid-Lake Softball Organization

920 254-9472

III

Other Matters

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R. O. No. 339 - 15 - 16. By CITY CLERK. January 4, 2016.

Submitting a communication from Jeff Radtke stating his upset with the clearing of the streets after the December 28th snow storm.

Pub Wks.

City Clerk

III

January 4, 2016

To The Mayor and Common Council

The snow storm of December 28th, 2015 was a total disaster left on the streets of Sheboygan that exists to this day. Lack of planning on the part of the City has left many of us with ice packed roads that could have been cleaned up very easily had a "Snow Emergency" been used.

While I understand the overnight parking rules and the ease of keeping the roads clean overnight, sometimes you need to make better plans to make sure the job gets done. While the north and west sides of the street were plowed in the morning, the south and east sides of the streets were left a total mess. When 6:00 am rolled around and parking was allowed on both sides of the street there was no way to efficiently clear the streets until 2:00 the following morning, in the mean time many streets were left with ice covered roads. In my neighborhood I have not seen one salt truck come by to help melt down the bed of ice we were left to endure until warm enough weather sets in.

After 8.5 inches of wet and heavy snow and a plan to clear the east and south sides of the roads the next morning we have a recipe for disaster on the roads. I would like to see the Public Works Committee come up with a plan to address this issue so in the future we are not left with the mess we now have. The comments I read stated it snowed longer and we received more than was predicted. This to me is no excuse for poor planning by our streets department.

We need to deal in reality and react in a timely manner, after reading the comments of David Beibel the way I have it figured is it should take 2 or maybe 3 nights to clean up after a snow storm using the overnight plowing. Usually we see after a snow storm temperatures dropping to near sub zero which in this case thankfully did not happen, however this leads to more icing and makes it harder on the equipment to clean up.

It is time that the city puts a plan together to move into the proper operations for snow removal rather than count on a plan that was meant for a few inches of lighter snow. I shudder to think of what would have happened if we would have received the 12 inches others around us received. Would the city have been comfortable with the overnight plowing operation in that scenario as well?

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeff Radtke', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jeff Radtke
1443 South 19th Street
Sheboygan, WI

Gorges, Wendy

From: Alderperson John Belanger
Sent: Thursday, January 14, 2016 4:35 PM
To: Gorges, Wendy
Cc: Biebel, David
Subject: FW: horrible conditions of snow removal

Wendy,

Could you please add this document to the other snow removal email for our next Public Works agenda? Thank you!

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From: Richard Ullrich [rull2843@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 14, 2016 4:00 PM
To: Alderperson John Belanger
Subject: horrible conditions of snow removal

Dear Mr. Belanger,

The purpose of this email is to inform you of the horrible job of snow removal the City plowers are doing on my area. If you are bored take a ride over to the area north of End park between 15th street and 11th streets both the North/South streets as well as the East / West streets in that area you can see for yourself what I am talking about firsthand. Minimal salting if any has been applied to these streets , many are solid ice and have been for a long time- kids actually were out ice skating on them the other day.-- Now with the brief warm up the crews should be out in force to salt and help melt the ice, clean up plowing could be done to move the snow back to the curb instead of being 3 FEET out into the middle of the streets on both sides which is the norm here. The residents have all followed the winter odd even parking rules to no avail. Even if they do follow them no plows have been down the streets for days like more than 2 or 3 after most every snowfall.

I honestly think that the City should explore hiring private contractors on a bid basis to do the snow removal you will find that it might be very cost effective as opposed to City employees doing snow removal work. Cheaper costs and better results. The people doing it now definitely need to take refresher training classes on how to plow snow. Perhaps in some of the narrower streets a smaller truck should be utilized. Those large dump trucks with the big plows and wing plows are too unwieldy making efficient snow removal very difficult.

Last winter we followed the winter parking rules and guess what they plowed and still buried my car in 3-4 feet of snow had to make a call to Public Works Mgr. get them to send a crew or 2 to unbury my car. Total waste of valuable resources again.

I have another idea too how about making the street and sidewalk snow removal a priority instead of wasting valuable resources plowing the City park sidewalks and parking lots and other non essential areas???

You can contact me by phone after 530 PM @ my cell number 847-751-0649 or by email at rull2843@yahoo.com. if you would like to discuss this more. Hopefully the snow removal situation in my area

is going to improve. I know with your help this is going to happen. Correct??? Thank you for hearing my neighborhoods frustration. Regards,

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