

CITY OF STEVENS POINT

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING

September 14, 2026 - 6:04 PM

Community Room

933 Michigan Avenue, Stevens Point, WI

MINUTES

Roll Call

PRESENT Chairperson Mayor Wiza, Vice-Chairperson Ald. Keymer, Ald. Christianson, Ald. Kneebone, Ald. Shuda, and Ald. Morrow.

ABSENT Chris Tiffany

OTHERS PRESENT **Directors:** Scott Beduhn - Public Works, and Jarrod Kivela - Inspection and Development.

Alderspersons: Jacqui Guthrie - District 2, Andrea Olson - District 3, Allison Birr - District 5, Joe Donahue - District 6, Sam Lang - District 9, and Matt Moldenhauer - District 10.

City Staff: Corey Ladick - Comptroller/Treasurer, Marcy Peterson - Deputy Treasurer, Todd Ernster - City Forester, Chris Klesmith - Community Development, and Ed Orgon - Police Chief.

Others Present: Roland Davis Jr.

Informational

1. **Director's Report**
 - a. **Division and Church Streets Reconstruction Projects**
 - b. **Patch Street Railroad Crossing Alterations**

Director Beduhn gave a brief update on the Business 51 Project, stating that the contractor has indicated they most likely won't finish the south side this year, and to what extent that is, is still being worked out.

Director Beduhn also updated on the Patch Street Railroad Crossing Alterations, stating that it is a slow process, but still being worked on.

Ald. Morrow **moved**, Ald. Keymer **seconded**, to approve the Director's Report and place it on file.

Call for the Vote: Ayes: **All**; Nays: **None**
Motion: **Carried**

Discussion and Possible Action

2. To approve the ordinance amendment in Chapter 9, Section 9.05, as it relates to parking.

Ald. Morrow **moved**; Ald. Shuda **seconded**, to approve the ordinance amendments in Chapter 9, Section 9.05, as they relate to parking.

Call for the Vote: Ayes: **All**; Nays: **None**
Motion: **Carried**

3. To approve a cost share and Maintenance Agreement from Portage County Highway Commission regarding CTH HH.

Ald. Morrow **moved**, Ald. Shuda **seconded**, to approve the cost-share agreement and maintenance agreement from the Portage County Highway Commission regarding CTH HH.

Ald. Kneebone asked if we have any opportunity to turn this down because she doesn't feel we should be responsible for a County Highway, including streetlights; to which Director Beduhn responded that this is consistent with how it is on all county roads within the city limits; we maintain the lighting, curb, gutter, and sidewalks, as well as the stormwater system.

Mayor Wiza stated that it could be refused, but we have a good relationship with them, and that's not what staff is recommending to which Ald. Kneebone added that we also pay them a large sum in wheel tax, and we don't get any of it back. Mayor Wiza stated that that is a good point, but that's what is before us.

Ald. Olson asked if, when looking into the streetlights, they had also looked at the potential for a roundabout in that area because that would impact everything surrounding it.

Director Beduhn said that concept was brought up when we did the traffic impact analysis for the new road, and it was determined that a roundabout would not work with the signals already in place at the surrounding intersections.

Call for the Vote: Ayes: **Majority**; Nays: **Ald. Kneebone**
Motion: **Carried**

4. To award the 2026 Fall Paving Project #26-107 to American Asphalt of Wisconsin for the amount not to exceed \$482,550.12.

Ald. None **moved**, Ald. None seconded, to award the 2026 Fall Paving Project #26-107 to American Asphalt of Wisconsin in the amount not to exceed \$482,550.12.

Call for the Vote: Ayes: **All**; Nays: **None**
Motion: **Carried**

5. To approve the State Municipal Financial Agreement from WisDOT to incorporate City utility relocations into the proposed STH 66 Curb Ramp Project.

Director Beduhn explained what this means: WisDOT is going to be replacing all the curb ramps at every intersection along US Highway 10 and Highway 66 all the way through the municipal boundaries to make them all ADA accessible. With that, approximately 110 of these intersections have handhole covers that we use to pull cables through for our traffic signals and lighting. This agreement states that we are responsible for paying the cost of having their contractor do the work and hopefully give us both better pricing on what needs to be done.

Mayor Wiza raised a few concerns: one being that we do not know how much this is going to be at this time, and two, if any other contractor would tear up the street for any reason, all the responsibility is on them. He also pointed out that if we were to say no, the likelihood of this project happening drops to nearly nothing.

Ald. Christianson said another thing to note is that, because of the collaboration between the two, our ultimate cost will be less than it would be if we tried to take it on ourselves, as well as a shorter timeline.

Ald. Keymer **moved**, Ald. Christianson **seconded**, to approve the State Municipal Financial Agreement from WisDOT to incorporate City utility relocations into the proposed STH 66 Curb Ramp Replacement Project.

Call for the Vote: Ayes: **All**; Nays: **None**
Motion: **Carried**

6. To approve the Curb Cut Agreement between the City of Stevens Point and PointMed Properties LLC (former Cooper Motors site).

Director Kivela explained that PointMed is asking us to include, in the Business 51 Project, at least three access points, as they sell the vacant lot to whatever business comes along.

Director Beduhn added that now that Director Kivela is back, there may be some minor changes to the agreement before Council next week.

Ald. Kneebone stated she would like to see one or two curb cut driveway accesses, but no more than two, even if there were going to be four businesses going in there. She feels that three is excessive.

Attorney Beveridge stated that personally he feels that these are going to essentially be driveways into a field, and they're going to get removed or moved by whoever buys the parcels anyway, but this is what the landowner has requested.

Ald. Morrow **moved**; Ald. Keymer **seconded**, to approve the Curb Cut Agreement between the City of Stevens Point and PointMed Properties LLC (former Cooper Motors site).

Call for the Vote: Ayes: **Majority**; Nays **Ald. Kneebone**
Motion: **Carried**

7. Update on the proposed STH 66 WisDOT downtown reconstruction project and approval for the City of Stevens Point to request that WisDOT evaluate the rerouting of STH 66 and potential two-waying of Clark Street.

Director Beduhn explained what this is, and essentially they're looking for the Mayor to write a letter asking them to partner with us in evaluating potential things when it comes to the downtown STH 66 and Clark Street.

Ald. Christianson **moved**; Ald. Keymer **seconded** that the Mayor proceed with sending the letter to WisDOT regarding the proposed STH 66 WisDOT downtown reconstruction project and approve the City of Stevens Point to request that WisDOT evaluate rerouting STH 66 and potentially two-waying Clark Street.

Ald. Olson asked that the Police and Fire Departments be involved in the discussions and discuss the costs of taking out the infrastructure that is under the road for future land use.

Call for the Vote: Ayes: **All**; Nays: **None**
Motion: **Carried**

Adjourn

Adjourned at **6:42 p.m.**