

City of Appleton

100 North Appleton Street Appleton, WI 54911-4799 www.appleton.org

Meeting Agenda - Final Municipal Services Committee

Monday, August 12, 2019	4:30 PM	Council Chambers, 6th Floor
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- 1. Call meeting to order
- 2. Roll call of membership
- 3. Approval of minutes from previous meeting

<u>19-1159</u> Minutes from July 20, 2019

Attachments: Minutes from July 29, 2019.pdf

4. Public Hearings/Appearances

5. Action Items

19-1160 Request from EnviroForensics, LLC for a permanent street occupancy permit for the parking lane along the west side of N. Meade Street between Hancock Street and Winnebago Street from August 19, 2019 through November 30, 2019.

Attachments: EnviroForensics, LLC-Permanent Street Occupany Permit.pdf

19-1161 Approve S. Locust Street Vacation between the alley and the CN R/R tracks.

Attachments: S. Locust Street Vacation.pdf

19-1162 Approve Authorizing Resolution for Urban Forestry Grant and Urban Forestry Catastrophic Storm Grant Programs.

Attachments: Urban Forestry Grant-Urban Forestry Catastrophic Storm Grant.pdf

19-1163 Request from Apple Tree, LLC for a permanent street occupancy permit for eleven (11) cluster box mail units (CBU) in location approved by the Department of Public Works (including 2-foot clearance from the street).

Attachments: Apple Tree LLC-Cluster box mail untis.pdf

19-1164 Request from Endeavor Environmental Services for a permanent street occupancy permit to install a monitoring well in the sidewalk area at 1331 N. Bennett Street.

Attachments: Endeavor Environmental Services-Permanent Street Occupancy permit.pdf

6. Information Items

19-1165	Mackville Landfill Update presentation by SCS Engineering.

Attachments: Mackville Landfill Update.pdf

19-1166 Mackville Landfill Compliance Monitoring and Evaluation Form for June 2019 field inspection.

Attachments: Mackville Landfill Compliance Monitoring & Evaluation form..pdf

<u>19-1167</u> July 20, 2019 Storm Damage update.

Attachments: July 20, 2019 Storm Damage update.pdf

<u>19-1168</u> Inspections Division Permit Summary Comparison Report for July, 2019.

Attachments: Inspections Division Permit Summary Comparison Report July, 2019.pdf

19-1194 LED street light information as requested by Alderperson Firkus.

<u>19-1199</u> Railroad Quiet Zone Application Update.

Attachments: Railroad Quiet Zone Application Update.pdf

7. Adjournment

Notice is hereby given that a quorum of the Common Council may be present during this meeting, although no Council action will be taken.

Reasonable Accommodations for Persons with Disabilities will be made upon Request and if Feasible. Please contact Paula Vandehey at 832-6474 if you have any questions.



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Meeting Minutes - Final Municipal Services Committee

Monday, July 29, 2019

4:30 PM

Council Chambers, 6th Floor

1. Call meeting to order

Alderperson Coenen called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. Roll call of membership

Alderperson Martin arrived at 4:52

Present: 5 - Croatt, Coenen, Martin, Williams and Firkus

Approval of minutes from previous meeting

19-1083

Minutes from July 15, 2019

Attachments:

Minutes from July 15, 2019.pdf

Croatt moved, seconded by Williams, that the Minutes be approved. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Croatt, Coenen, Williams and Firkus

Excused: 1 - Martin

- 4. Public Hearings/Appearances
- 5. Action Items

19-1084

Approve permanent street occupancy permit for the southwest corner of the new US Venture Public Parking Ramp within Rocky Bleier Run right-of-way.

Attachments:

Permanent Street Occupancy US Venture Public Parking Ramp.pdf

Croatt moved, seconded by Martin, that the Report Action Item be recommended for approval. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Croatt, Coenen, Martin, Williams and Firkus

19-1085

Request from Bethany Hietpas, 1304 S. Jackson Street, for a variance to Municipal code 19-91(f)(5) to widen the driveway 14'2" for a total

driveway width of 23'.

Attachments: Driveway variance 1304 S. Jackson St.pdf

Firkus moved, seconded by Coenen, that the Report Action Item be recommended for approval. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Croatt, Coenen, Martin, Williams and Firkus

19-1087 Request from Gardenview Restaurant for a Street Occupancy Permit to place tables and chairs in the College Avenue beautification strip at 216

E. College Avenue.

Attachments: Table & Chairs-Gardenview Restaurant.pdf

Hold item 19-1087 until application received.

Croatt moved, seconded by Martin, that the Report Action Item be held. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Croatt, Coenen, Martin, Williams and Firkus

19-0985 R/B-Approve proposed changes to Municipal Code Section 19-110

Metered on-street parking and Section 19-111 Metered off-street parking

related to red-head meter time limits.

Attachments: Proposed Changes to Municipal Code Section 19-110 and Section

19-111.pdf

Item 19-0985 was referred to staff August 26th meeting.

Williams moved, seconded by Croatt, that the Report Action Item be referred to the Municipal Services Committee. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following

vote:

Aye: 5 - Croatt, Coenen, Martin, Williams and Firkus

19-0986 R/B-Approve proposed change of the seven (7) meters on the north side of College Avenue between Appleton Street and Oneida Street from

2-hour meters to 25-minute red head meters.

Attachments: Red-Head Meter Parking.pdf

Item 19-0986 was referred to staff August 26th meeting.

Martin moved, seconded by Croatt, that the Report Action Item be referred to the Municipal Services Committee. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following

vote:

Aye: 5 - Croatt, Coenen, Martin, Williams and Firkus

19-0988 R/B-Approve proposed "Yellow Meter Loading Zone" for the first three

City of Appleton

parking stalls on the southside of College Avenue east of Appleton Street similar to the zone of Oneida Street near City Center.

Attachments: Yellow Meter Loading Zone.pdf

Williams moved, seconded by Firkus, that the Report Action Item be recommended for approval. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Croatt, Coenen, Martin, Williams and Firkus

6. Information Items

19-1088 2019 Mid-Year Performance Reviews.

Attachments: 2019 Mid-Year Performance Reviews.pdf

<u>19-1106</u> Update on recruitment and retention challenges.

7. Adjournment

Croatt moved, seconded by Williams, to adjourn the meeting at 5:13 . Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Croatt, Coenen, Martin, Williams and Firkus



July 30, 2019

Ms. Paula Vandehey, Director of Public Works City of Appleton 100 North Appleton Street Appleton, WI 54911

Re: Request for Permanent Street Occupancy Permit

Appleton Wire (Former) 908 N. Lawe Street Appleton, Wisconsin BRRTS# 02-45-000015

Dear Ms. Vandehey:

EnviroForensics, LLC (EnviroForensics) is requesting a Permanent Street Occupancy Permit (Permit) for the parking lane along west side of North Meade Street between East Hancock Street and East Winnebago Street. The area is outlined on **Figure 1**. We are requesting the Permit as part of remedial activities taking place at the former Appleton Wire facility located at 908 N. Lawe Street in Appleton, Wisconsin (Site). Due to limited space at the Site, we are anticipating that contractors will need to utilize the available street parking outlined above to stage vehicles, trailers, equipment, etc. overnight. We anticipate the work starting on August 19, 2019 and continuing through November 2019. All vehicles and equipment would be moved to allow snow plowing, if needed.

If you have any questions or concerns and would like to discuss these activities further, please feel free to call me at (262) 745-5054. We greatly appreciate your cooperation.

Sincerely,

EnviroForensics, LLC

Brian Kappen, PG

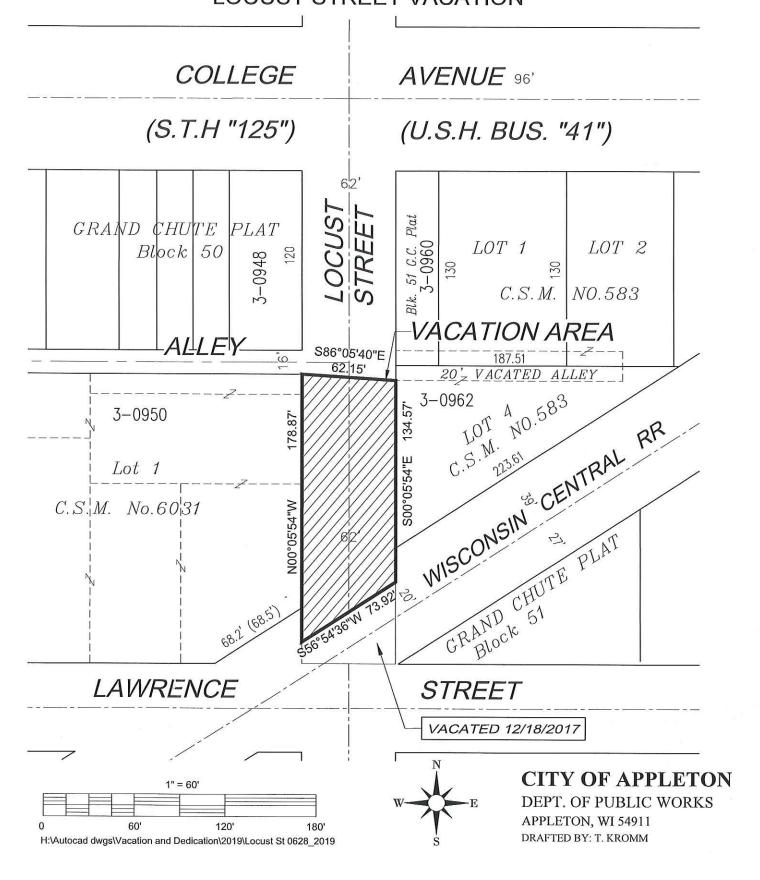
Project Manager

enclosures

Phone: 262-290-4001 • Fax 317-972-7875



EXHIBIT "A" LOCUST STREET VACATION





APPLETON PLAYGROUND

1. Proposed Parking (8' X 160') | 2. Basketball Court | 3. Playground | 4. Teen Fitness | 5. Boys & Girls Club Of The Fox Valley

- - 12" Storm Main - 48" Storm Main •••• 8" Water Main

- · - · - 10" Sanitary Main

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION FOR URBAN FORESTRY GRANT AND URBAN FORESTRY CATASTROPHIC STORM GRANT PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, the applicant, City of Appleton, is interested in obtaining a cost-share grant from Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of funding urban and community forestry projects or urban forestry catastrophic storm projects specified in s. 23.097(1g) and (1r), Wis. Stats.;

WHEREAS, the applicant attests to the validity and veracity of the statements and representations contained in the grant application; and

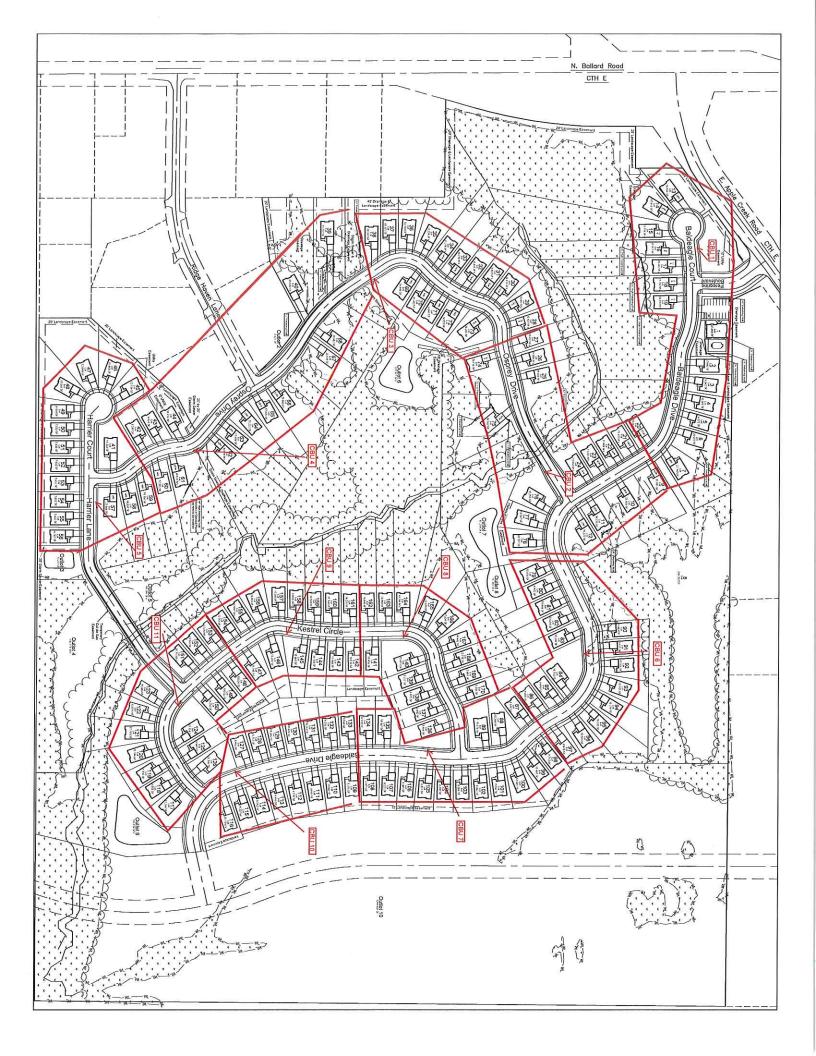
WHEREAS, the applicant requests a grant agreement to carry out the project;

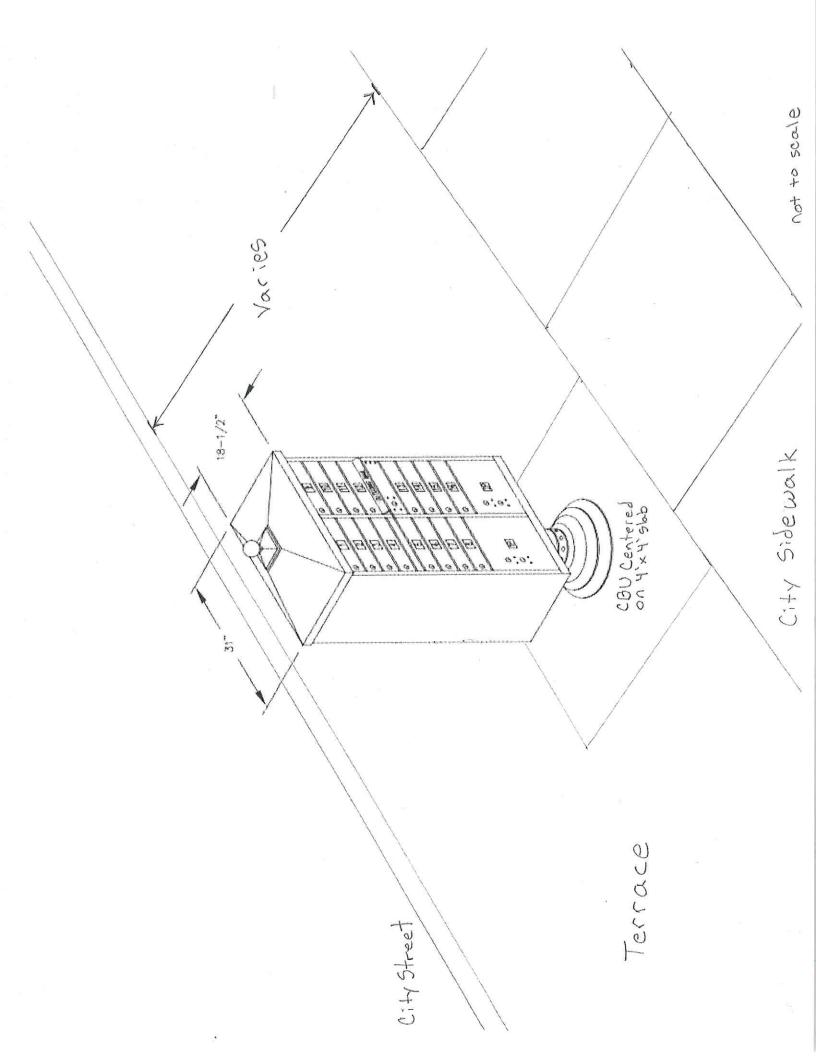
NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the applicant, City of Appleton, will comply with all local, state, and federal rules, regulations and ordinances relating to this project and the cost-share agreement;

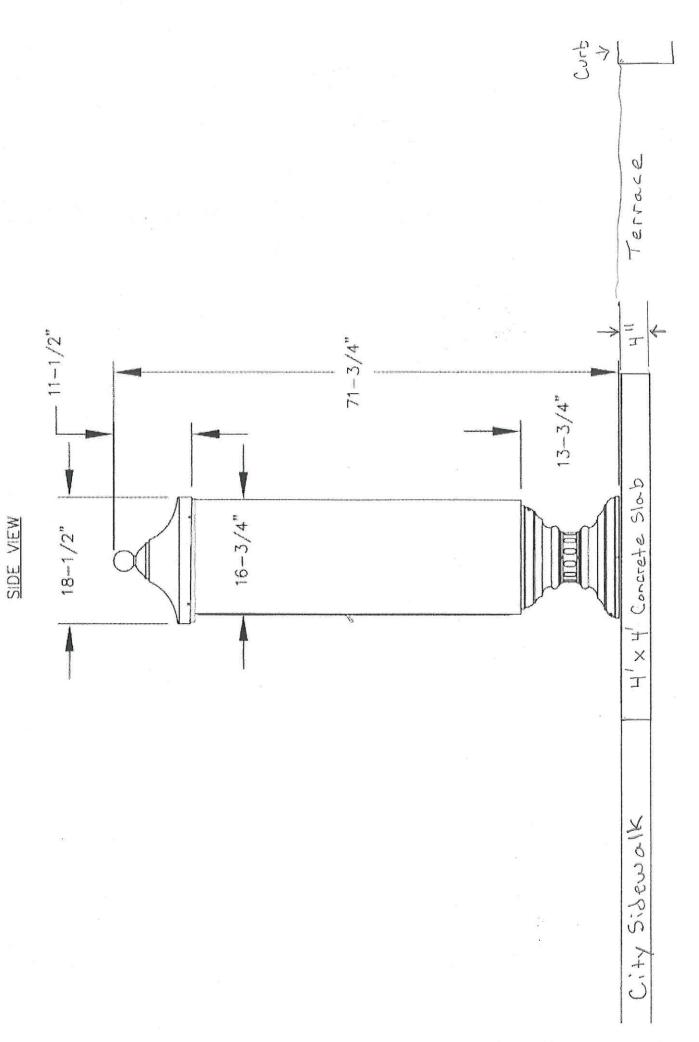
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the applicant will budget a sum sufficient to fully and satisfactorily complete the project and hereby authorizes and empowers Director of Public Works, its official or employee, to act on its behalf to:

- 1. Sign and submit the grant application
- 2. Sign a grant agreement between applicant and the DNR
- 3. Submit interim and/or final reports to the DNR to satisfy the grant agreement
- 4. Submit grant reimbursement request to the DNR
- 5. Sign and submit other required documentation

Adopted this day of _		, 20
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Authorized Signature	Title	Date Certified







Paula Vandehey

To:

Ross Buetow

Subject:

RE: Proposed Monitoring Well - N. Bennett Street ROW

From: Joe Ramcheck [mailto:jramcheck@endeavorenv.com]

Sent: Monday, July 29, 2019 9:37 AM

To: Ross Buetow < Ross. Buetow@Appleton.org >

Subject: Proposed Monitoring Well - N. Bennett Street ROW

Good Morning Ross:

Thank you for your time in discussing the application requirements for installation of a 2-inch, flush-mount monitoring well within the right-of-way (sidewalk) of N. Bennett Street.

As requested the following and attached information is being provided.

Endeavor Environmental Services Inc (Endeavor) is currently completing an investigation of a petroleum release at Chemco Products Co. (Chemco) located at 1331 N. Bennett Street. Endeavor submitted a Site Investigation Work Plan (SIWP) to the WDNR dated 1/4/2019. The WDNR is requiring a monitoring well on the east side of N. Bennett Street to further define the dissolved petroleum contaminant plume.

The prosed location is within the sidewalk on the east side of N. Bennett Street. The well will be installed using hollow-stem auger drilling methods. The well is proposed for approximately a depth of 15 feet (final depth based upon observations of soil conditions during installation). The well will be topped with a flush-mounted well box to allow for unobstructed use and maintenance of the sidewalk. The well will be scheduled for installation upon approval of the street permit and will remain in place to allow for quarterly groundwater monitoring of the referenced contaminant plume.

As discussed, Endeavor will also scan the proposed well location using Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) prior to commencement of drilling activities in addition to the required Diggers Hotline locate of utilities..

Upon site closure the well will be abandoned per WDNR requirements.

Please let me know if there is anything else required to complete this approval.

Thank you for your assistance.

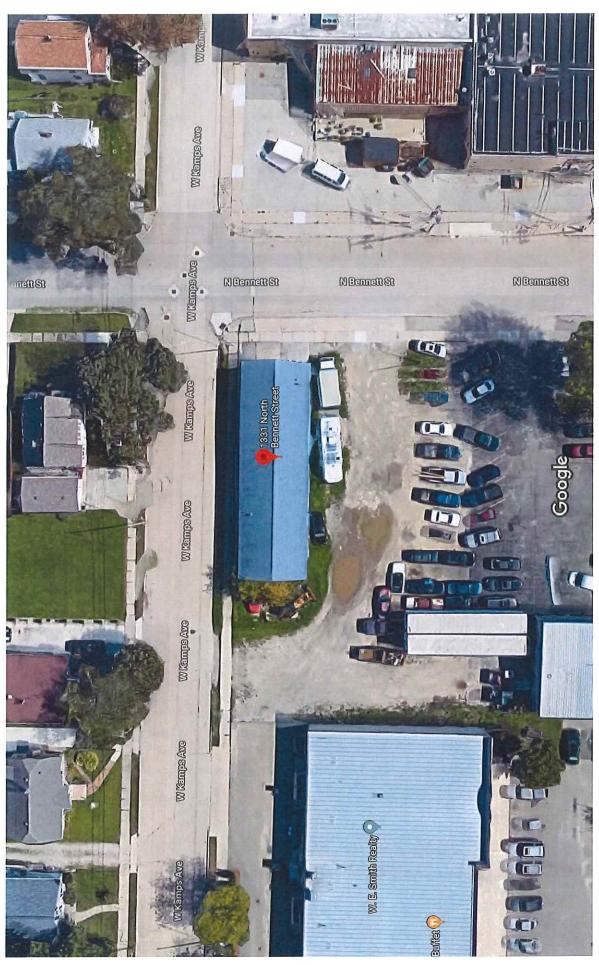
Regards, Joe

Joseph M. Ramcheck, P.H.
President/Senior Hydrologist
Endeavor Environmental Services, Inc.
2280-B Salscheider Court
Green Bay, WI 54313

Google Maps

1331 N Bennett St

Chemco Products Co.



Imagery @2019 Google, Map data @2019 20 ft



Proposed Monitoring Well Location



Legend

Open Site

Facility-wide Site

West: Wisconsing venue CHEMCO PRODUCTS CO INC Noutr Bennett Street Appleton

Notes

0.0 Miles

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Yellow dot denotes the approximate monitoring well location within the right-of-way (sidewalk) of N. Bennett Street

DISCLAIMER: The information shown on these maps has been obtained from various sources, and are of varying age, refailibly and resolution. These maps are not intended to be used for newigation, nor an eithese maps an authoritative source of information about legal land ownership or public access. No warranty, expressed or implied, is made aregarding accuracy, applicability for a particular use, completenenss, or legality of the information depicted on this map. For more information, see the DNR Legal Notices web page: http://dnr.wi.gov/org/legali

Note: Not all sites are mapped.

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Mackville Landfill Update

MUNICIPAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

AUGUST 12, 2019

Gas System Update

- January 2019 meeting with WDNR
- Discussed converting to passive vent system
- WDNR agreeable to the concept
- WDNR requested 2-year pilot study to collect data and experiment with passive
- Gas blower turned off in March -No abnormal results observed
- Gas wells disconnected in June -No abnormal results observed

Gas System Update (Continued)

- Additional gas metering conducted to ensure gas is not migrating through the landfill cap or through the VAM buildings
- Surface emission monitoring will be periodically conducted over the next year to evaluate if emissions are coming through the cap

WDNR Site Inspection

- City staff and SCS Engineers completed pre-WDNR site visit June 19
- A few touch up items noted, but overall site in good condition
- ► WNDR compliance inspection June 25
- ► All items on WDNR inspection form were noted to be in compliance
- ▶ WDNR commended the City on a great looking landfill

Budget Status

- Based on 2 yr pilot gas testing for WDNR, 2019 capital improvements are now anticipated for 2022
- Additional consultant funds are requested for 2020 to complete the testing
- Application to WDNR to convert to passive venting is expected in January
- Response from WNDR is anticipated in time to prepare 2022 budget

2020 Budget request

- ▶ The additional \$30,000 requested for 2020, above yearly operations, maintenance, monitoring and reporting includes the following as requested by WDNR:
- Quarterly surface emission monitoring
- Settlement analysis
- Additional gas monitoring at locations of concern at key times, such as
- VAM buildings, blower building, cap penetrations (like leachate headwells)
- Re-checks before scheduled visits after making system changes to determine if any differences in system performance

Pollution Liability Insurance

- ► Current pollution liability insurance expires December 31, 2019
- HR currently working on renewal
- Current carrier will no longer provide this coverage
- ▶ Likely 3-yr policy rather than a 5-year policy as in the past

State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources



Form 4430-5 (R. 03/06)

COMPLIANCE MONITORING AND EVALUATION FORM

A. GENERAL INFORMATION	١ .				FIST	SEQ #: 66236
Facility Name (current) APPLETON CTY LF (AKA MACKVILLE LF)		FID# 445012700	EPA ID# WID981097165	Case # 66236	Complaint #	
Street/Location 5007 QUARRY RD			Notification St	atus UNCLASSIFIED		
City CENTER TN	Zip Code 54911-	County OUTAGAMIE	Type of Conta	ct	Contact Date 06/25/2019	
Contact Name/Phone Number SUE OLSON, PROJECT E B. FACILITY INSPECTED AS		(920) 832-6473	Staff Assigned HRONEK, S		Case Close C 06/25/2019	
Inspection Type LANDFILL UNCLASSIFIED			1 6			
C. NOTIFICATION CHANGE						
Status Change: Field Verified St Name Change: Former	atus Is	rocessed SHWIMS	, E	EPA Data System		
D. ACTIVITY TYPES						
Lic/RU/RA Sta	aff Person S	Lead Program SOLID WASTE		COMPLIANCE CLOSED LANDFILL		
E. ACTIONS AND VIOLATIO	NS					
F. CASE CONTACTS						
G. COMMENTS						

routine site inspection, I met with City of Appleton and SCS Engineering reps; overall the site is in good condition and well maintained



CLOSED LANDFILL INSPECTION FORM

ection 1: General Facility Requirements		
A. Gate provided at the entrance and kept locked when authorized personnel not on site. entrance is shared with the model airplane club	C	506.07(1)(j)
B. Entrance area clean and no solid waste indiscriminately dumped (e.g., operating an unlicensed storage or disposal facility).	С	289.31(1)
C. Sign posted at the entrance to the facility indicating that the landfill is closed, and includes the landfill name, license number, penalty for unauthorized use and any other pertinent information unless the approve final use does not require signage.	dC	506.08(1)(b)
D. Access to the landfill restricted by use of gates, fencing, or other appropriate means unless approved final use allowing access (e.g. baseball playfields, soccer fields, dog runs, etc.) does not require these restrictions.	C	506.08(2)
ection 2: Sediment and Erosion Control		
A. Runoff channels are protected to prevent scour and erosion that generates sediment.	C	506.07(2)(a)(5)
B. Storm water drainage ditches, structures and sedimentation basins cleaned and maintained.	С	506.07(2)(b)
C. The entire solid waste disposal area is covered with compacted earth and final grades are adequately sloped to allow storm water runoff. (e.g. no depressions with ponded water or wetland vegetation on the disposal area).	C	506.08(3)(a)
D. Storm water run-on diverted around all areas used for solid waste disposal to limit erosion of the cover soils and infiltration.	С	506.08(3)(b)
E. The finished surface of the disposal area is covered with a minimum of 6 inches of topsoil.	C	506.08(3)(d)
F. Vegetation established to minimize erosion (e.g. no bare spots or woody vegetation).		506.08(4)
SCS and the City continually monitors for woody vegetation and stressed vegetation; staff pointed out a few small woody vegetation that are planned for removal	C	
ction 3: Gas Control		
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A. Effective means being utilized to prevent migration of explosive gases generated by the waste fill (e.g. no noticeable gas odors or indication of stressed vegetation, and gas control system operating, if applicable).	C	506.07(4)
active system currently being evaluated for switch to passive gas system and plans to provide the department with a plan mod request		
ction 4: Leachate Collection System		
A. Any liquid that comes in contact with waste being handled as leachate and properly managed (e.g. no leachate seeps or discolored surface water/soil).	C	506.07(5)(b)
B. Leachate removal from all leachate storage structures to maintain gravity flow (e.g. no leachate storage on landfill base or liner).	NA	506.07(5)(a)
C. All leachate removed from the leachate collection system is being disposed of at a wastewater treatment facility unless the facility has approval to recirculate leachate or gas condensate. condensate is being taken to the Appleton WWTP for treatment	С	506.07(5)(a)
D. Leachate lines cleaned on an annual basis or other frequency approved by the Department.	NA	506.07(5)(c)

CLOSED LANDFILL INSPECTION FORM

Section 4: Leachate Collection System		
E. Leachate head wells protected and being monitored for leachate head levels.	С	507.04(3)
Section 5: Monitoring Devices		
A. Monitoring and sampling devices protected to prevent contaminant entry and damage (e.g. caps present and locked, protective casing in good condition and not affected by frost heave or sunk relative to the well casing that prevents closure).	С	507.04(3)
B. All monitoring devices clearly and permanently labeled on the outside of the device.	С	507.04(4)
C. Any permanent monitoring well no longer being used to gather information is properly abandoned within 60 days after its use has been discontinued.	С	141.25(1)(b)
D. Any monitoring devise that has been damaged, provides a conduit to the subsurface or otherwise fails to function is properly abandoned and replaced within 60 days after discovery.	С	507.13
E. Surface water sampling locations surveyed and permanently and clearly marked.	NI	507.23(2)
Section 6: Final Use	Viet Control	
A. Waste disposal area not being used for agricultural purposes unless approved by the Department.	C	506.085(1)
B. No structures or other development over waste disposal area unless approved by the Department.		506.085(2)
City of Appleton received an exemption to construct model airplane club structures in approvals dated 12/19/2005 and 9/17/2014	С	
C. No excavation of the final cover or any waste materials.	С	506.085(3)
Key: C: Compliance CA: Compliance with Concern R: Returned to Compliance X: Non-Compliance NA: Not Applicable ND: Not Y: Yes N: No UN: Unknown Notes: 1.* Dept. approved alternate may apply 2. Questions without a status entry use narrative responses	t Determi	ned NI: Not Inspect Revision : 06/12/2017 ժարտարական անականում

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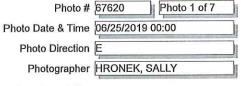


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over view of final cover condition being well vegetation and properly sloped

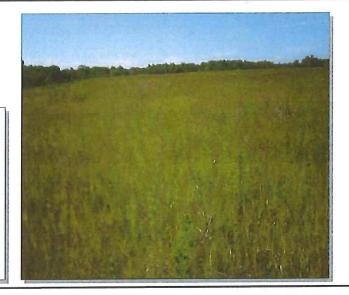


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Photographer

Photo Description

example of monitoring devices being properly locked, labeled, and secure



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Photographer HRONEK, SALLY

Photo Description over view of airplane model club area



SITE PHOTOS

Photo # 67623 Photo 4 of 7

Photo Date & Time 06/25/2019 00:00

Photo Direction N

Photographer HRONEK, SALLY

Photo Description

over view of closed area and airplane model club area with protected gas wells



Photo # 67624 Photo 5 of 7

Photo Date & Time 06/25/2019 00:00

Photo Direction N

Photographer HRONEK, SALLY

Photo Description

over view of approved developed items on a closed landfill cover including parking area, open to air pravillion, and enclosed building



Photo # 67625 Photo 6 of 7

Photo Date & Time 06/25/2019 00:00

Photo Direction NW

Photographer HRONEK, SALLY

Photo Description

department approved vapor barrier layer and passive venting components of the enclosed building located on the closed landfill



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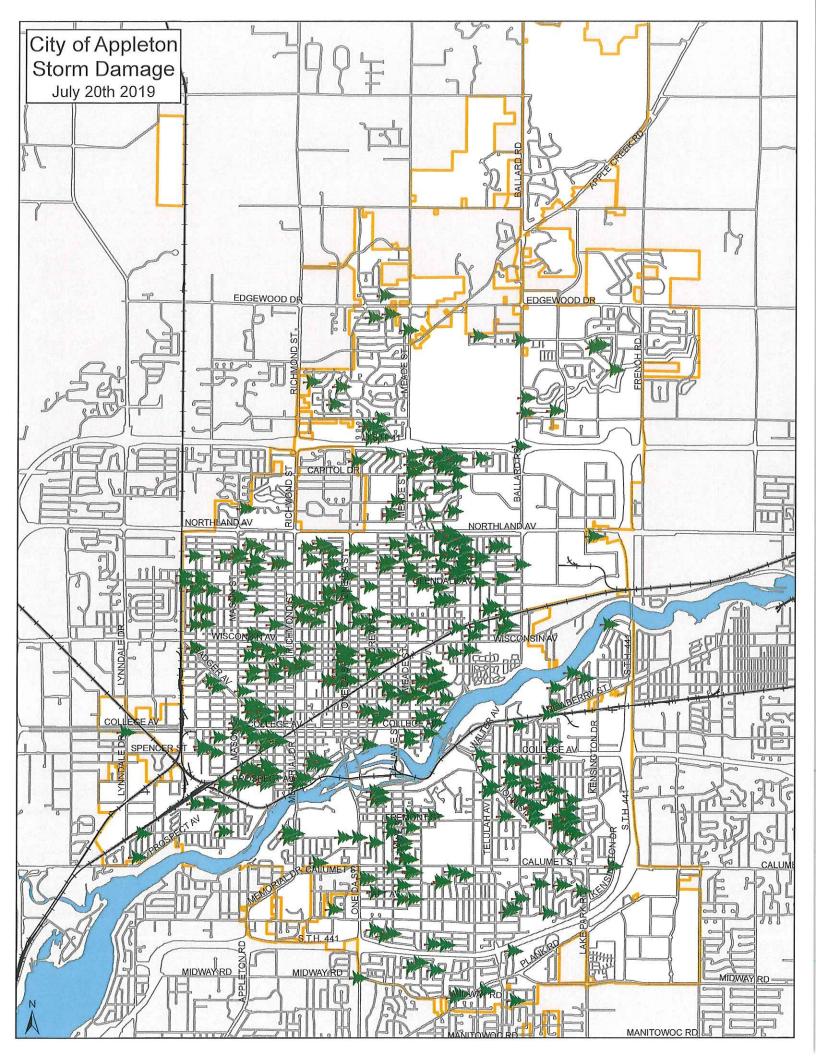
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[andfill signage, gate, and property fencing in good condition]





Department of Public Works Inspections Division

Permit Summary Count YTD Comparison

01/01/19 Thru 07/31/19

Report Date: 8/1/2019

Appleton
"...meeting community needs...enhancing quality of life."

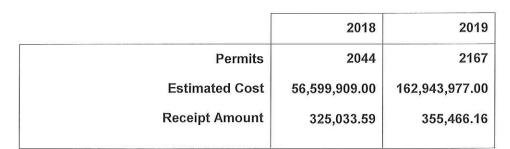
Permit	Year	Permit	Total Estimated	Total Receipt
Туре	Issued	Count	Cost	Amount
BUILDING	133000	Count	0031	Milodiff
OTEDINO	2018	547	36,265,309	142,877.88
	2019	596	140,129,479	177,828.17
	2017	8.96 %	286.40 %	24.46 %
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DISPLAY SIGN	2018	80	640,670	3,189.08
	2018	68	389,502	2,725.00
	2019	-15.00 %	-39.20 %	-14.55 %
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LECTRICAL	2242	407	4 000 445	47 400 00
	2018	427	6,093,145	67,420.08
	2019	416	7,463,728	69,641.32
		-2.58 %	22.49 %	3.29 %
ROSION CNTL				
	2018	25		3,150.00
	2019	30	21	3,400.00
		20.00 %	%	7.94 %
IEATING				
	2018	518	8,144,493	47,353.55
	2019	526	5,779,893	41,685.64
		1.54 %	-29.03 %	-11.97 %
LAN REVIEW				
	2018	50		19,425.00
	2019	76		28,765.00
		52.00 %	%	48.08 %
LUMBING				
2011,021,10	2018	268	4,745,995	18,004.00
	2019	353	8,680,957	22,199.03
		31.72 %	82.91 %	23.30 %
EWER				
CVCK	2018	114	710,297	23,014.00
	2019	101	500,418	9,182.00
	2017	-11.40 %	-29.55 %	-60.10 %
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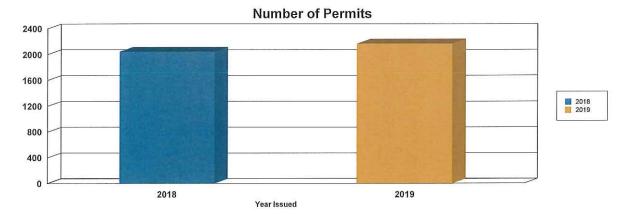
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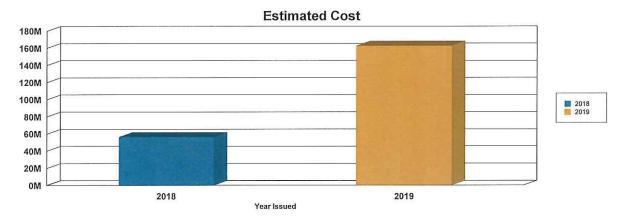
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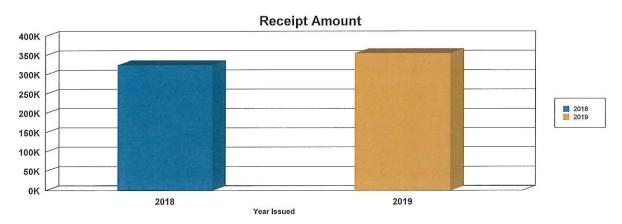
Report Date: 8/1/2019











MIKE GALLAGHER 8TH DISTRICT, WISCONSIN

1230 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515 Phone (202) 225–5665

> DISTRICT OFFICE: 1702 SCHEURING ROAD SUITE B DE PERE, WI 54115 PHONE (920) 301–4500

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COAST GUARD AND MARITIME TRANSPORTATION

Karl Alexy
Deputy Associate Administrator for Railroad Safety
Office of Railroad Safety, Federal Railroad Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Mr. Alexy:

I am contacting your office regarding the Quiet Zone Application filed by the City of Appleton. On July 17, 2018, my office reached out to the Federal Railroad Administration to inquire on the status on the City of Appleton Quiet Zone Application. More than a year after the 60-day comment period has ended, the City of Appleton has still not received a decision or communication on any corrections needed to its application.

The application process began on October 26, 2016, when the City of Appleton submitted a Notice of Intent to Submit. On April 20, 2017, the initial Quiet Zone Application was submitted. On February 23, 2018, the City of Appleton submitted an Amended Application, followed by a Second Amended Application on April 5, 2018. Per policy stated by FRA, "The Public Authority Application and allows affected parties to submit comments on the City's revised quiet zone plans during the subsequent 60-day comment period as set forth in 49 CFR 222.39(b). The FRA begins the internal application review once the comment period has expired." It has been 16 months since the final amended application was submitted, and per your office, "the Appleton quiet zone FRA response is going through the review process within the FRA's Chief Counsel." The City of Appleton has not been told further action is required or been provided justification on why the final review is taking longer than expected.

Please advise on the current status of the City of Appleton Quiet Zone Application, why it has taken longer than expected, and any actions the city may take to complete this process. To provide further information regarding the City of Appleton's Application, please respond to David Brooker in my office at david.brooker@mail.house.gov or 920-301-4500.

Mike Gallagher

Sincerely.

Member of Congress