



Date: February 15, 2012

To: Menasha City Council

From: Dick Sturm and Melanie Krause, Co-General Managers

RE: Water project update

The utility had a bid opening January 19 for four projects listed below that were discussed at the Utility Commission meeting on January 25. At the meeting the utility was asked to get some additional information on the Modifications for the High Lift Station and the Tower project.

WATER PROJECTS:

1. 2,130 feet of 16 inch Transmission Main – Canal Crossing, down Water Street and Lush Street to connect to Broad Street
2. 11,355 feet of Water Main Replacements on Grove, Ida, Arthur, 8th and Paris Street
3. Elevated Water Tank Demolition on Manitowoc Street
4. Standby Generator and Motor Control Modifications at the High Lift Pump Station on Manitowoc Street

Some background on the tower project is that an evaluation of the 1929 water tower on Manitowoc Street was done in November of 2010 to determine whether to repaint and repair the tower, build a new tower at a new location or upgrade the high lift pump station and eliminate the tower. It was determined at that time that the Utility should pursue the option of abandoning the tower and make upgrades the high lift pump station.

All of these projects and the bids will be going back to the Commission at the March 1st meeting. If the Commission recommends these projects to be awarded they will be brought to the Public Works Meeting and Council meeting in March.

If these projects are awarded the two communication companies that currently have antennas on the tower will be contacted and a determination made if the other water tower is a viable option. In the timeline for all these projects the Tower Demolition would be the last step since we would confirm operation of the canal crossing, main replacements and High Lift Station before this would take place.

These projects are all eligible for funding from the Safe Drinking Water loan program with the exception of the Main replacement on Paris Street which will be funded internally.