

**PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES COMMITTEE OF
THE PLYMOUTH COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF PLYMOUTH, WISCONSIN**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2025

OFFICIAL MINUTES

**Plymouth City Hall
Council Chambers
Plymouth, WI 53073**

1. **Call to Order & Roll Call:** Chairperson Hildebrand called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM. On the call of the roll, the following members were present: Mayor Pohlman, David Herrmann, Greg Hildebrand, John Binder, and Angie Matzdorf. Others present were Alderperson Diane Gilson, Alderperson Jeff Tauscheck, Alderperson Mike Penkwitz, Alderperson John Nelson, Police Chief Ken Ruggles, Deputy Police Chief Matt Starker, Assistant Administrator/Community Development Director Jack Johnston, Director of Public Works Cathy Austin, IT Manager Dave Augustin, and City Clerk Anna Voigt.
2. **Approval of January 14, 2025 Meeting Minutes:** Motion was made by Pohlman/Binder to approve the minutes from January 2025. Upon the call of the roll, all voted aye. Motion carried.
3. **Update on Municipal Dam Project Schedule:** Adam Schneider from Ayres Associates updated the committee on the dam. The project was pushed back 4-5 months because of a negotiation for access on the western edge of the dam. Ayres will present the preliminary design package to the City in April and the final design in June. Ayres will submit design to the DNR in July. Schneider stated that the DNR review process will likely be for a few months. After the review process draw down of the Mill Pond will start in April 2026 and construction starting in June of 2026, with the refilling beginning in December of 2026.
4. **Update on Lead Laterals:** Director of Public Works Austin gave an update on the Lead and Copper Rule Revisions in 2023. One of the main changes was requiring all public water utilities to submit a water lateral material inventory list and notification requirement to consumers who have either lead laterals or unknown material laterals. In 2024 the United States Environmental Protection Agency updated the Lead and copper Rule Revisions creating the Lead and Copper Rule Improvements. One large change is a requirement to have all Utility owned lead laterals removed before November 2037. Hildebrand asked if residents are receiving a Water / Sewer Lateral Loan Application with the notices. Austin stated that there are currently 44 applicants in the Water / Sewer Lateral Loan Program. Currently residents are informed as annual street work is being done. The Utility has replaced laterals on their side during annual street projects. It is up to the resident to decide if they want to replace their side. Residents were made aware of the program in letters sent out with confirmed and unknown lead lines. The program will continue to be offered as long as there are funds available. Binder asked if new buyers are made aware of lead lines. Austin stated after 2037 they will be informed 6 months after the purchase. Pohlman asked if there has ever been a certain deadline given previously to have all laterals replaces. Austin

stated this is the first time a date has been given. Some communities have started replacing prior to given a date. Some communities have decided to start replacing laterals and not doing street projects. Austin stated it will have to be a conversation in the future to get them all replaced by 2037.

5. **Adjournment:** Motion was made by Pohlman/Matzdorf to adjourn the meeting. A unanimous aye vote was cast. Motion carried.