Canton City Council Public Hearing Minutes
July 9, 2025

Members present: Kristy Ziegler, Jen Dowling, George Hafner, Jeremy Hanson
Members absent: Jason Magnuson
City staff present: Anne Koliha, Barb Kerns, Jon Nordsving, Jim Davis
Visitor(s) present: Sabine Hafner, Carl Ernst

Mayor Ziegler called the public hearing to order at 6:00 p.m.

She stated the purpose of the public hearing was to have an informational meeting to discuss the Water and Wastewater System Improvements (aka: Streets project) as part of procedure for application of Community Facilities Loan through USDA Rural Development.

Clerk Koliha/WHKs provided a summary of project and funding and read an update from WHKS.

Update from WHKS: WHKS has completed the original topographic survey of the project and have started designing the street and utility improvements. WHKS has confirmed that Fillmore County will reconstruct Main Street (County Road 21) in 2027 as part of this project. The survey staff will be collecting additional information to complete the plans for Fillmore County. American Engineering Testing will be performing soil borings for the project in July.

WHKS will continue to develop the preliminary plans for the project and intend to present them to the Council at the August 13, 2025 meeting. After discussing with the Council, WHKS plan to host a public information meeting around October 15 but are flexible and can pick a date that works for the Council members.

Included in the packet is a proposed project schedule – hopefully can get things moved up and combine a few items together at the same time – like plans to council and send to USDA-RD for approvals at the same time. WHKS will continue to update with any changes to the project and intend to meet with City staff regularly throughout the project.

Mayor Ziegler entertained public comments.

Public comments:

Carl Ernst inquired about a potential start date for the project.

Motion by Hanson, seconded by Dowling to adjourn the public hearing at 6:05 pm; motion carried.