

City of Decatur
Board of Public Works & Safety Minutes
January 7, 2020

The City of Decatur Board of Public Works and Safety members met on Tuesday, January 7, 2020 at 6:00 P.M. at City Hall in Council Chambers, 172 N. Second Street. Members present were Craig Coshow, Tyler Fullenkamp, and Mayor Dan Rickord. Also present were City Attorney, Tim Baker and Clerk-Treasurer, Phyllis Whitright.

Coshow welcomed Fullenkamp and Mayor Rickord as members of the Decatur Board of Public Works and Safety.

The Clerk-Treasurer had emailed the minutes from the December 17, 2019 meeting. Coshow made a motion to approve the minutes. Fullenkamp seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Clerk-Treasurer, Phyllis Whitright prepared the 2020 Fire contracts with the various townships: Root \$17,069.49, Washington \$13,750.42, St. Mary's 8,534.74, and Union \$8,060.59. Total for all contracts for 2020 is \$47,415.24. Fullenkamp made a motion to approve and sign the contracts as presented. Seconded by Coshow, the motion was adopted. The Clerk-Treasurer will forward the contracts to the Township Trustees to be signed by the Trustees and their Advisory Boards.

The Service Agreement with Crowe for Phase II of the Water Utility bond was presented at a cost of \$35,000, plus out of pocket expenses, and completion of a parity report not-to-exceed \$3,000. Coshow made a motion to authorize Clerk-Treasurer Whitright to sign the agreement. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

Karey Fuelling, Wastewater Superintendent appeared before the Board regarding replacement of a Mayno pump for the Wastewater Treatment Plant from BL Anderson at a cost of \$13,694.00. She had requested a second quote, but did not receive a response. Coshow made a motion to allow Fuelling to purchase the replacement pump. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

Jeremy Gilbert, Operations Manager appeared before the Board with two (2) equipment requests. The first request was to use funds budgeted to replace a garbage truck, \$145,000 was in the sanitation budget for equipment. Two (2) vehicles had been demoed and he shared the heavier truck could be purchased with a savings of \$11,000. The garbage truck would be purchased through the government contract the City has with Sourcewell at a cost of \$140,000. The current garbage trucks are a 2003 and 2009 Internationals and he would likely upgrade one and get rid of the other as neither has any trade-in value currently. Coshow made a motion to allow Gilbert to purchase the garbage truck from Pyramid Equipment through Sourcewell pricing at \$140,000. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

Gilbert's second request was for the purchase of a 310 MacAllister CAT excavator. He noted the current excavator is used daily for smaller jobs, but Fleming Excavating is hired for larger jobs. Gilbert shared that he, Kevin Hackman, Utilities Auditor, and Don Bergdall, Civil Infrastructure Manager had been talking the last couple of years regarding the need for the larger machine. Gilbert shared that employee Derrick Cannon had been involved in making the decision as he needed to be comfortable with the new machine as he is the one who runs the machine on a daily basis. Funding for the new excavator would be paid from the MVH-Street budget and the Water, Wastewater and Stormwater utilities. The City has had to rent equipment, with the cost of rentals over time will pay for the equipment purchase. The New Generation 310 excavator from MacAllister CAT including the Sourcewell contract price could be purchased for \$132,822. This price includes a 20% Sourcewell

discount (\$30,639) and a 7% MacAllister discount (\$10,724). There would be a need for a new trailer to haul the machine, which Gilbert had talked with representatives from Fort Wayne and with Josh Heck of Indiana Trailer Sales, Decatur. The estimated cost from Indiana Trailer Sales appears to be the best, but Mr. Heck has asked for some time to secure the quote. Coshow made a motion to purchase and share the cost between the MVH-Street and Utilities for the New Generation 310 Excavator from MacAllister CAT with the Sourcewell contract at a cost of \$132,822. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted. Coshow asked Gilbert to get a price for a hydraulic compaction unit to be added to the excavator. Gilbert will report back with a price at a future meeting.

Councilmen, Matt Dyer, Scott Murray, and Wylie Sirk joined the Board of Public Works and Safety meeting for information and input purposes only.

Jeremy Gilbert, Operations Manager brought forth a change order for fencing at Hanna Nuttman. He shared that by accident the fencing in front of the dugouts had been removed from the specs. It was noted that neither Gilbert nor Jim from Custom Net Backstops had realized the omission until recently. The change order is for \$17,875 to cover the cost of the fencing in front of the dugouts. Coshow made a motion to accept the change order from Custom Net Backstops for \$17,875. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

Clerk-Treasurer, Phyllis Whitright shared an update for the financing of the new fire truck. Having checked with the financial institution it was decided the most cost-effective way to finance the new truck would be via three payments with the 33% prepay option. The council would need to vote later for an additional appropriation.

City Attorney, Tim Baker reported on an issue of two (2) large dogs that were described as being docile when at home, but when out they had attacked a smaller dog. Attorney Baker shared that he had suggested the owner of the dogs find a new home for them outside the City. Baker mentioned that likely a Civil Law Suit would be forthcoming, they will try to work with the owners and if they do not comply with the City, action could be taken.

City Attorney, Tim Baker reported that Police Chief Lennie Corral is to meet with North Adams Superintendent Brent Lehman regarding the compensation for the School Resource Officer (SRO). It was noted that the Board of School Trustees would be meeting on Tuesday evening and the agenda would include the compensation for the SRO.

City Attorney Baker had worked with Nic Kos of NK Decatur Holdings regarding a roadway they claimed was Krick Street but such a street had never been platted. In order to complete the sale of the land to ProFed Credit Union the legal work needed to be done by Kos and his legal team. A Verified Complaint for Quieting of Title has been filed. Fullenkamp made a motion to authorize City Attorney Tim Baker to sign the disclaimer regarding the issue. Seconded by Coshow, the motion was adopted. Coshow asked if the City was out any money and it was learned that Attorney Baker had put lots of time into the issue.

Fullenkamp inquired regarding the study of East Monroe Street as to its completion and it was noted the completion is 45 days or so out yet. Police are still at the crosswalk areas but Chief Corral shared few students are using the crosswalks and the majority of those are at the North Adams Drive crossing. Councilman Sirk had purposely driven through the area at specific times and was pleased with what had been done signage wise.

Kevin Hackman, Utilities Auditor reported that the asset management software used was a three-year contract with a \$7,000 increase. American Structurepoint had been used to assist in the

selection of the software. The City Attorney had questions concerning the verbiage in the contract, no action was taken at this time, will act on contract at a future meeting.

City Attorney Tim Baker shared that with Melissa Norby, Community Development Director, no longer with the City, action needs to be taken quickly to fill the position as several things are in need of being completed. The Mayor informed him he is already working on revising the job description.

Coshow made a motion to make the resignation letters from Melissa Norby as the Community Development Director, and from Brielle Adams as Public Art Director of The HIVE, and from William Stuckey board member of the Board of Zoning Appeals a matter of record. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

There being no other business to come before the Board, Fullenkamp made a motion to adjourn. Seconded Coshow, the motion was adopted.

Adjournment was at 6:50 P.M.