

City of Decatur
Board of Public Works & Safety Minutes
March 21, 2017

The City of Decatur Board of Public Works and Safety members met on Tuesday, March 21, 2017, at 6:00 P.M. at City Hall in Council Chambers, 172 N. Second Street. Members present were Cameron Collier and Mayor Ken Meyer. Also present were City Attorney, Tim Baker and Clerk-Treasurer, Phyllis Whitright. Absent: Bill Karbach

The Clerk-Treasurer had emailed the minutes from the March 7, 2017 meeting. There were no corrections. Collier made a motion to approve the minutes. Meyer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The first item on the agenda was Bill Slike from AECOM who gave an update regarding the Sewer Interceptor Project. He presented Pay Application of \$71,086.00 to the contractor, Fleming Excavating, which included 6A and 6B (\$8,071.50) and 7A and 7B (\$35,601.61) change orders that had been presented and approved at the March 7, 2017 meeting of the Board. He noted this brings the project to substantial completion. He shared that one final change order will wrap up the project. Collier made a motion to approve and pay the \$71,086.00 request. Seconded by Meyer. Motion passed.

The next part of Mr. Slike's report regarded the steps that need to be taken such as the post construction monitoring, which will take about 6 months and then any alterations that needs to be made can be completed. The engineering fee from AECOM for flow monitoring and rainfall data, and flooding analysis will cost \$76,840.00. Collier made a motion to approve Amendment #1, Exhibit A-1 to include services for flow monitoring of newly-constructed Phase 3 Interceptor and the St. Mary's River at a cost of \$76,840.00. Seconded by Meyer, the motion was adopted.

Operations Manager, Jeremy Gilbert received two (2) quotes to purchase a tractor for the Parks & Recreation Department to be used for the ball diamonds. Council previously approved budgeting \$32,000 from the CCD fund. The quote from Affolder Implement Sales was for a Kubota for \$33,450.00, and the second quote was from Troxel for a John Deere in the amount of \$30,050.00. Collier made a motion to approve the low quote from Troxel for \$30,050.00. Meyer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Meyer shared that the land along Jackson Street near the entrance of Bellmont High School is owned by the city and has been leased to Burkhart Advertising for a billboard sign at a rate of \$1,250.00 per year. Burkhart Advertising was notified that INDOT will be raising the road in front of the sign by 7 feet, and access to the sign will then be from Jackson Street. Burkhart had requested to extend the lease for another 5 years at a rate of \$1,350.00 per year. Collier made a motion to accept the five year contract at a lease rate of \$1,350.00 per year. Seconded by Meyer, the motion was passed.

Councilmen Craig Coshow, Matt Dyer, Tyler Fullenkamp, and Wylie Sirk joined the Board of Public Works and Safety for the rest of the meeting.

Nick Kos, owner of the Cottonwood Mobile Home Court located along Highway 27 on the south edge of Decatur, and his attorney Justin Wall, Huntington, appeared before the Board. They presented a Proposed Action Plan that had 10 areas to work on with a completion date of August 31, 2017. The plan featured such items as moving several of the mobile homes located

along the highway to the interior of the park, re-skirting the mobile homes, repair/removal of storage sheds, deactivation and removal of electrical boxes, and so forth. Mr. Kos noted he has already removed 25 electrical boxes and removed 100 truck loads of garbage. It was noted by all that there is a need for the lower income housing provided for some, especially those already residing in the park. A motion to accept the proposed plan with a further meeting (perhaps in September) to check on update of the proposal was made by Collier. Seconded by Meyer, the motion was adopted.

Collier made a motion to make a matter of record the Certificate of Appointment for Blaze Brooks, the newest patrolman of the Decatur Police Department. Seconded by Meyer, the motion passed.

Jeremy Gilbert, Operations Manager, shared that Shambaugh and Sons had recently looked at the Schafer building and feel they can work around the water system until later when it can be re-routed to the Music House building for continued fire protection. They are still working with Kevan Biggs and talking with Tom Pitman regarding funding in order to raze the building as soon as possible.

Gilbert noted that JPR and INDOT are moving forward with the streetscape and sidewalk project from the bridge to 3rd Street for lighting and sidewalks. They are currently working on phase one.

Gilbert also reported that the Nature Preserve project had been finalized with appropriate paperwork and plans are to advertise for bids next week.

A motion to adjourn was made by Collier, seconded by Meyer, and passed.

Adjournment was at 7:29 P.M.