

CITY OF DECATUR
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 1, 2015

The City of Decatur Board of Public Works and Safety met on Tuesday, September 1, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall in Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Schultz. Roll call showed board members Bill Karbach, Ken Meyer and Mayor John Schultz were present. Also present was City Attorney, Tim Baker and Clerk-Treasurer, Phyllis Whitright.

The Clerk-Treasurer emailed the minutes from the August 18th meeting. There were no corrections or amendments. Karbach made a motion to approve the minutes. Meyer seconded the motion. Motion was unanimous.

Bids for street salt and water conditioning salt were opened and read aloud by the City Attorney. The bids results were:

	<u>Street Salt</u>	<u>Water Conditioning Salt</u>
Morton	\$86.78/ton	No bid
Cargill	\$99.94/ton	No bid
Graham Feed Co.	No bid	\$109.89
Detroit	\$71.07/ton	No bid
Compass Mineral	No bid form 96 was included, bid unresponsive	

Operations Manager, Jeremy Gilbert reviewed the bids and recommended accepting the bids from Graham Feed Company for water conditioning salt of \$109.89/ton, and Detroit Salt Company for street salt of \$71.07/ton for the year 2016. Karbach made a motion to approve Gilbert's recommendation and accept the low and responsive bids from Graham Feed Company and Detroit Salt Company. Meyer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council members, Cam Collier, Matt Dyer and Tyler Fullenkamp attended the Board of Works meeting.

Mayor Schultz apologized for not getting information on quoting property/casualty insurance separate from workers compensation insurance, but will have information for the next meeting.

Susie Fuelling, spokesperson for the Pennsy Depot project gave an update on the fundraising events they had, and announced upcoming events. The group will have a Farmer's Market at the depot site on 7th Street on Sunday, Sept. 20th, and a dance at Riverside Center featuring the band "Bulldogs" on October 30th. Tickets are \$10 each. Fuelling reported since May of this year, they have collected over \$30,000 to-date, and soon will have \$40,000 with these two events, and grant monies from the Adams County Community Foundation. Fuelling also stressed to the public that this is a City project, and after the train depot is renovated, this building will be for public use. Sandy Collier reported their next steps are electricity, plumbing, and installing counter tops, and stripping the walls. \$45,000 is still needed to be raised to complete the renovations. Mrs. Collier requested financial help from the City to fix the roof, since the grant monies have to be spent by the end of October. The estimate to repair the roof is \$10,200, and the grant will cover half the repairs, but still will need another \$5,000 to cover the entire project. The Clerk-Treasurer reported the Train Depot project fund that was originally set up, still has \$1,000, which can be

used toward improvements. By consensus, members were in favor of using the \$1,000 and directed the Clerk-Treasurer to see what other city funds are available and report back at the next meeting.

Operations Manager, Jeremy Gilbert reported he is working on reopening some of the alleys that have been closed, which will allow access for utilities. Gilbert will prepare a list of alleys that will be reopened for all the members.

Members discussed financial commitment to Connect to Careers, which will be included in the two (2) year CEDIT plan for 2016 and 2017 of \$25,000 per year. The Clerk-Treasurer also mentioned other items that Council had previously committed to that will be paid with CEDIT funds for the next two (2) years, a commitment of \$152,000 for the Nature Preserve project, 13% of the CEDIT distribution goes to Adams County Economic Development, sidewalk improvements increased from \$45,000 per year to \$50,000 per year, \$250,000 towards capital improvements each year, with the other \$250,000 for capital improvements to be paid with other city funds, and \$56,000 for the 2015 flood mitigation grant. The Clerk-Treasurer was directed to prepare an Ordinance for a two (2) year CEDIT plan for the October 6th council meeting.

City Engineer, Nate Rumschlag requested direction from the members where to locate the sewer interceptor on First Street. Clark Dietz proposed the sewer interceptor to run across several properties on First Street, which would require property acquisitions, but could save the city potentially between \$500,000 - \$1 million dollars. This is Phase III of the Long Term Control Plan, with bids for this project to be January or February of 2016. Members discussed where the sewer line should be placed, and what properties would need to be acquired. Appraisals will need to be done on the properties north of Mark's Heating. The City Attorney informed the members a resolution will need to be adopted if Council wants to express an interest in the properties, which will include a total of five (5) properties on First Street and Monroe Street. Council member will also need to approve funding the cost of appraisals for these properties at the council meeting.

Indiana Michigan Power Company notified the Building Supt. requesting an easement to run electric lines along the former railroad right-of-way behind the 2nd block of north Mercer Avenue, 30 feet in width and 15 feet each side. Karbach made a motion to approve the request. Meyer seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Clerk-Treasurer will have the easement recorded.

There being no further business, Meyer made a motion for adjournment. Karbach seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.