

City of Decatur
Board of Public Works & Safety Minutes
October 20, 2020

The City of Decatur Board of Public Works and Safety members met on Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 6:00 P.M. by virtual meeting. Members present were Craig Coshow, Tyler Fullenkamp, and Mayor Rickord. Also attending were City Attorney, Tim Baker and Clerk-Treasurer, Phyllis Whitright.

The virtual meeting was properly posted and the media was notified. Coshow made a motion to make the notice a matter of record, seconded by Fullenkamp. Motion carried.

The Clerk-Treasurer had emailed the minutes of the October 6, 2020 meeting. Coshow made a motion to approve the minutes. Fullenkamp seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Coshow made a motion to make the notice to seek sealed quotes for street salt, and the publication to accept bids for softening salt a matter of record. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

The first item on the agenda was the opening of softener salt bids. There were two (2) bids received. The Clerk-Treasurer opened and read the bids aloud. Midwest Salt bid \$118.00 per ton, and Mid-American bid \$114.00 per ton. Bids were based on 1,500 tons of salt for the City's Water Treatment System. It was noted that the proper paper work had been included with each bid. Coshow made a motion to accept the lowest bid presented at \$114.00 per ton by Mid-American. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

The Clerk-Treasurer then opened and read aloud the sealed quotes that were received for street salt from Midwest Salt quoted \$124.00 per ton, Morton Salt quoted \$69.88 per ton, Detroit Salt quoted \$79.03 per ton, and Compass Minerals quoted \$70.87 per ton. Quotes were based on 300 tons of street salt. Coshow made a motion to accept the lowest quote of \$69.88 per ton from Morton Salt. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

Coshow made a motion to approve 23 eight-hour days donated from a full-time employee. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted. Operations Manager, Jeremy Gilbert reported that the employee for whom the sick days are for could be off for at least three (3) months.

Mayor Rickord shared that Police Chief, Lennie Corral was seeking permission to begin the process for hiring the 20th officer which is included in the 2021 Budget. Coshow made a motion to allow Chief Corral to begin the process for hiring the 20th officer for 2021. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

Coshow made a motion to make a matter of record the Certificate of Appointment/Oath of Office and the Conditional Employment Contract with Officer Blaze Brooks. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

As discussed at the previous meeting, City Attorney, Tim Baker prepared and explained the Offer of Employment and Hiring Bonus to provide payment for Officer Blaze Brooks to rejoin the Decatur Police Department. The agreement was to pay Brooks a lump sum of \$4,000.00 to be paid as miscellaneous income, and pay from the Police Departments budget. Coshow made a motion to accept the one (1) time bonus for Officer Blaze Brooks, and make the agreement a matter of record. Seconded

by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted. The City Attorney noted that an ordinance will be presented to the Common Council for action to amend the current salary ordinance to permit the hiring bonus.

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

Adjournment was at 6:20 P.M.