

City of Decatur
Board of Public Works & Safety Minutes
November 17, 2020

The City of Decatur Board of Public Works and Safety members met on Tuesday, November 17, 2020 at 6:00 P.M. Members present were Craig Coshow, Tyler Fullenkamp, and Mayor Dan Rickord. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Phyllis Whitright and City Attorney Timothy Baker.

The Clerk-Treasurer had emailed the minutes of the November 3, 2020 meeting. Fullenkamp made a motion to approve the minutes as emailed. Coshow seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The first item on the agenda was Sgt. Corey Hamm regarding a fence for K9 Ivar. Sgt. Hamm noted he had a 10 x10 kennel for Ivar and had made an entrance into his garage which he has fitted with heat and air conditioning for the comfort of Ivar. Living in Monroe, Sgt. Hamm wants to make certain no accidents happen with children playing in the area. Sgt. Hamm has sought three (3) quotes for about 270 feet of fencing and has only received one (1) from H&H Fencing at \$7,200. Arrow Fencing had measured the area but has not returned a quote to date. R&C Fencing will provide a quote after Thanksgiving. Sgt. Hamm noted he is willing to sign a contract to repay the City for the fence if he leaves the police department and is no longer the K9 Officer, or if he sells his home. Fullenkamp suggested a treated fence be installed and to see the other quotes before making a decision. Sgt. Hamm was asked to return before the Board when he has all three (3) quotes, and then a contract can be prepared on a prorated basis if he would no longer be the K9 Officer or if he relocates.

Police Chief Lennie Corral appeared before the Board to set a date for interviewing candidates for the 2nd shift Sergeant position that will be open at the end of the year as Sgt. Corey Hamm is resigning his rank as Sergeant. Chief Corral noted that five (5) officers have applied for the sergeant position. Chief Corral suggested the week of December 7-11, 2020 for the interviews as he would like to announce the appointment at the December 15, 2020 meeting. Board members asked Chief Corral to set the date and let them know as they were open and able to adjust their schedules, and the Clerk-Treasurer can prepare the notice of an Executive meeting. Chief Corral also shared that there are seven (7) applications for the new patrolman position and that the physical agility test for the applicants will be on December 5, 2020.

The next item on the agenda was the change order requested by Advanced Demolition Services for the materials they found to be non-recyclable while demolishing the former Evergreen Assisted Living facility. The change order request was for \$20,500 and City Attorney Tim Baker noted that by statute the change order could not be more than \$19,500 which the City's responsibility would be 25% or \$4,875. Rod Renkenberger, Director of the Maumee River Basin Commission, was on hand to share the options as per FEMA guidelines since the grant is a Federal Grant. Option 1 was to allow the City pay the 25% or \$4,875 and the grant would pay the remaining \$14,625. Option 2 included approving the change order and allowing Advance Demolition Services to send a letter to the City noting they accept the \$4,875 amount as an in-kind contribution and the grant would fund the remaining \$14,625. Option 3 was simply the option of the City denying the change order and no additional grant funds would be paid to Advanced Demolition Services. Brent Deitering of Advanced Demolition Services, who was present agreed to write the letter and take \$4,875 as in-kind work. Mayor Rickord had commented that the residents in the area were very happy with the work Advanced Demolition has done. Councilman Sirk who attends the church nearby was in agreement with Mayor Rickord's comment. Operations Manager, Jeremy Gilbert and Rod Renkenberger remarked that they were very impressed with the work from Advanced Demolition and Mr. Deitering throughout the demolition process. It is

estimated that the work should be finished by Friday, November 20, 2020 within the grant timeline. Coshow made a motion that the City accept Option 2 with Advanced Demolition Services accepting the change order for \$19,500.00 and with Brett Deitering submitting a letter to the City noting that Advanced Demolition Services is donating \$4,875 as in-kind match. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

Attorney Mark Burry appeared before the Board as the attorney representing the Adams County Regional Sewer District (ACRSD) regarding the Treatment Agreement Amendment #1. Attorney Burry noted a few changes had been made since the November 3, 2020 meeting and the original rate agreement had been added as an addendum. It was also noted they are working on getting additional exhibits added that show the various connection points. All documents are due by the end of November to the state and closing on the grant will be in the middle of December. Coshow made a motion to accept Amendment #1 to the Treatment Agreement between the City and the Adams County Regional Sewer District. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted. Coshow thanked Attorney Burry and the ACRSD Board for their work. It was noted by Nate Rumschlag of the ACRSD Board that it could not happen without a partnership with the City.

The 600 N and 450 N, (3-year) farm lease agreements were prepared for action. The 600 N farm received one bid of \$145 per acre from Dan Workinger of Workinger Farms, Inc. The 450 N farm received a final bid of \$305 an acre from Kim & Craig Fruechte of Fruechte Farms. It was noted bids went back and forth between Kim & Craig Fruechte and Mark Bulmahn for the 450 N farm. Fullenkamp made a motion to sign the lease agreements and accept the bid of \$145 per acre from Dan Workinger of Workinger Farms for the 600 N farm, and also the bid of \$305 per acre from Kim and Craig Fruechte of Fruechte Farms for the 450 N farm. Seconded by Coshow, the motion was adopted.

Curt Witte, Building and Zoning Superintendent appeared before the Board to give an update regarding the property at 1046 Vine Street. A Public Hearing was to be held regarding the property this evening, but since then the financial institution holding the loan has cleaned everything up on the outside and has made a lot of progress on the property. The financial institution is getting bids for work on various indoor projects. Witte noted the same financial institution was also working on the property at 1043 Central Avenue. They are making good progress there also and are trying to get local contractors but are finding them too busy right now. Thus, Witte recommends no further action regarding the two (2) properties at this time.

Building and Zoning Superintendent, Curt Witte then mentioned residents on Spencer Street and Trails End had been given abatement orders regarding having too many dogs and cats on their property as per City Code. The individual from Spencer Street had appeared before the Board at the October 6th meeting and had taken an application to appear before the Zoning Board, but he never filed the application. The resident on Trails End had been give 90 days to get rid of the cats with no compliance. Thus, the next step is legal action. By consensus, Witte is to work with City Attorney Tim Baker regarding the legal process.

Fire Chief Les Marckel appeared before the board noting he had received a note of interest from the Geneva Fire Department with a possible offer of \$2,000 for the 1992 International Rescue Squad Fire Truck. Chief Marckel had offered the surplus property of Engine 104 Fire Truck and the 1992 International Rescue Squad truck to all other departments in Adams County. It was noted the surplus property does not need to be put out for bid if another Adams County department is interested. Marckel suggested that it would be beneficial to keep the working piece of apparatus in the County. Coshow made a motion to accept the \$2,000 offer from Geneva Volunteer Fire Department for the Rescue Truck if the \$2,000 is a solid offer, if not will put the surplus property up for bid. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

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 7:20 P.M.