

City of Decatur
Board of Public Works & Safety Minutes
December 20, 2016

The City of Decatur Board of Public Works and Safety members met on Tuesday, December 20, 2016, at 6:00 P.M. at City Hall in Council Chambers, 172 N. Second Street. Members present were Cam Collier, Bill Karbach, and Mayor Ken Meyer. Also present were City Attorney Tim Baker and Clerk-Treasurer, Phyllis Whitright.

The Clerk-Treasurer had emailed the minutes from the December 6, 2016 meeting. There were no corrections. Karbach made a motion to approve the minutes. Collier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mark Sullivan and Steve Bender from Midwestern Engineers presented a PowerPoint of the Public Water System Improvement Feasibility Study they had prepared. They discussed the current water plants and the need for upgrading the system. Their recommendations included: a new east side well field and treatment plant to be located on the 100 acres owned by the city, renovation and expansion of the Winchester Street plant, and to rehab the water from the Berne wells. They estimated a cost of approximately \$15 million. They outlined various methods of funding, recommending USDA Rural Development Funding. However, the first step is to test drill on the 100 acres to seek the availability of water. Utilities Director Dan Rickord and Bill Carpenter, Assistant Superintendent of the Water Department, shared a quote of \$66,190.00 from Peerless Midwest to do the test drilling, noting the funds were available in the Water Utility fund. Collier made a motion to go ahead with the test drilling at a cost of \$66,190.00. Seconded by Karbach, the motion passed.

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

Ken Dunn of Mobilitie appeared before the Board regarding the use of the city's right-of-way for towers as presented at the December 6, 2016 meeting. Since that meeting Mayor Meyer and City Attorney Tim Baker received more information. It was learned that Mobilitie is neither a public utility or a communications service provider, but a company that constructs wireless facilities for providers use. It was suggested if the city gives Mobilitie the use of right-of-way it would open the door to others, and the city department heads are concerned with congestion in the city's right-of-way. After a lengthy discussion, a motion was made by Karbach to deny Mobilitie request. Seconded by Meyer, the motion was carried.

Bill Slike, Engineer from AECOM presented an update regarding the LTCP Phase 3 Interceptor Replacement and Relief Sewer project. He presented Pay App #6 request for Fleming Excavating, Inc. totaling \$317,778.61. A motion to pay the \$317,778.61 was made by Karbach, seconded by Collier, and passed. Mr. Slike next presented change order #4 which resolved two issues, water line repair, and interceptor re-alignment an increase of \$6,124.00. A motion was made by Karbach and seconded by Collier to approve change order #4 totaling \$6,124.00. Motion passed. Change order #5 was presented. The order contained no cost as it was a change in the substantial completion dates. It was noted that substantial completion date would be adjusted to January 31, 2017. The contractor will go on winter hiatus, temporarily suspending all work on the project from February 1, 2017 to approximately April 15, 2017, and

then will return in April to do the seeding and other such work. Final completion to be June 15, 2017. A motion was made by Karbach to accept change order #5. Seconded by Collier, the motion passed.

There being no other business to come before the Board, Karbach made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Collier, the motion passed.

Adjournment was at 7:29 P.M.