

City of Decatur
Board of Public Works & Safety Minutes
March 15, 2022

The City of Decatur Board of Public Works and Safety members met on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. Members present were Craig Coshow (virtually), Tyler Fullenkamp, and Mayor Dan Rickord. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Phyllis Whitright and City Attorney Anne Razo.

Due to Board member, Craig Coshow attending virtually, the Clerk-Treasurer will have roll call votes on all motions.

The Clerk-Treasurer had emailed the minutes of the March 1, 2022 meeting. Coshow made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Fullenkamp, a roll call vote was held and passed 3-0.

The first item on the agenda was Fire Captain, Jeff Sheets as he sought permission to purchase a second vehicle for the Fire Department. Fire Captain Sheets was informed that cost would be going up next year. The vehicle to be purchased is for the Fire Marshal at a cost of \$35,105.35, which is the QPA price from Bloomington Ford. Funds would come from the LIT-Public Safety budget and the Fire Vehicle fund, which is Township funds that stipulate use for fire vehicles. No general fund money would be used. The vehicle is a 2022 Ford Explorer and is similar to the one being replaced and would likely be available late June or early July, 2022. Fullenkamp made a motion to give consent to purchase the second vehicle for the Fire Department. Seconded by Coshow, a roll call vote passed 3-0.

Karey Fuelling, Wastewater Superintendent appeared before the board with two (2) quotes to repair the Pine Valley lift station at Evergreen Lane Apartments. Fuelling had requested a third quote but received no response back. Both quotes were based on the same specs. Quotes received were from American Pump Repair and Service, Inc. for \$114,775.00 and from Fleming Excavating, Inc. for \$221,952.60. Fuelling informed the Board members that the lift station was last repaired in 1991. This project will be done near fall due to the time to get the materials. Fullenkamp made a motion to proceed with the quote from American Pump Repair and Service at \$114,775.00. Seconded by Coshow, a roll call vote passed 3-0. This project will be paid from the Sewage Operating fund.

Police Chief Lennie Corral, along with Officer Blaze Brooks appeared before the board to discuss the purchase of a UTV for the Police Department. Corral mentioned that he has funds budgeted to purchase a new golf cart, but the desire is to upgrade to a UTV which would be more useful, especially with the UTV having a flat back end to carry needed supplies. Also, the UTV would be much faster if needed in an emergency situation. Two (2) quotes received were from Fear Powersports, LLC in Berne for \$23,897.40 and the second quote from Schnelker Marine & PowerSports in New Haven for \$23,712.42. Thus, there is a difference of \$184.98. Both quotes are the same other than the difference would be if any repair called for the company to pick up the UTV, Berne would not charge and New Haven has a \$1.50 charge per mile fee. Chief Corral mentioned that he had called the New Haven business twice with no returned call which made him reluctant if that would be the situation in the case of needed repair work. Chief Corral also preferred purchasing the UTV from an Adams County business. Coshow made a motion to allow Chief Lennie Corral to proceed with the UTV purchase for the Police Department from Fear Powersports in Berne at a cost of \$23,897.40. Seconded by Fullenkamp a roll call vote passed 3-0.

Police Chief Lennie Corral presented a letter that Officer Alex Smith will be completing his year of probationary status on March 22, 2022. Both Chief Corral and Mayor Rickord noted that they had

heard nothing but praise for Officer Smith. Fullenkamp made a motion to remove Officer Smith from probationary status to a 1st Class Patrolman as of March 22, 2022. Seconded by Coshow, a roll call vote was held and passed 3-0.

The Clerk-Treasurer had received pay application #1 from VTF Excavation, LLC for the Homestead Drainage Upgrades, Phase 1 Site Development Project, which Operations Manager, Jeremy Gilbert had approved and signed to be paid in the amount of \$88,092.44. Fullenkamp made a motion to approve pay application #1 of \$88,092.44 to VTF Excavation. Seconded by Coshow, the roll call vote showed passage with a 3-0 vote.

A title company would need to be selected for the closing of the Grant Street property that the Adams County Regional Sewer District will soon be purchasing from the City. There are two (2) local title companies, Adams Land Title and Professional Land Title. Fullenkamp made a motion to select Professional Land Title Company. Seconded by Coshow, a roll call vote was held and passed 3-0.

Clerk-Treasurer Whitright shared that bids to sell the Police Department's golf cart and the annual bids for street materials, equipment and labor will be opened at the next meeting on April 5, 2022.

There being no other business to come before the Board, Fullenkamp made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Coshow, the motion was adopted by a 3-0 roll call vote.

Adjournment was at 6:31 P.M.