

City of Decatur
Board of Public Works & Safety Minutes
September 7, 2021

The City of Decatur Board of Public Works and Safety members met on Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. Members Craig Coshow, Tyler Fullenkamp and Mayor Dan Rickord were present. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Phyllis Whitright and City Attorney Timothy Baker.

The Clerk-Treasurer had emailed the minutes of the August 17, 2021 meeting. Fullenkamp made a motion to approve the minutes. Coshow seconded the motion. Motion carried.

First on the agenda was Fire Chief Les Marckel regarding a camera system and a door card reader access for the fire station. Chief Marckel informed the Board that the money has been budgeted using LOIT-Public Safety funds and the project has been divided into two (2) items. Chief Marckel received two (2) quotes. The first quote was from Innovative Concepts of Decatur for a total of \$14,751.45, and the second quote was from Stylus Technologies of Bluffton totaling \$18,605.68. Fullenkamp made a motion to allow Chief Marckel to proceed with the projects using the lowest quote from Innovative Concepts with the budgeted LOIT funds. Seconded by Coshow, the motion was adopted.

Wastewater Supt., Karey Fuelling appeared before the Board seeking permission to repaint the pipes at the Wastewater Treatment Plant that have been flaking paint due to the humidity in the area. Fuelling mentioned that there is approximately \$30,000 remaining in the guaranteed saving clarifier contract with Kokosing Industrial. Kokosing's quote to do the painting is \$41,462. Kokosing will request a change order for the remaining balance due after the \$30,000 is spent from the guaranteed savings contract. Coshow made a motion to approve the proposal from Kokosing to do the painting at a cost of \$41,462.00. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted. This project will be paid from the Sewage Operating fund.

Utilities Auditor, Kevin Hackman appeared before the Board regarding the Amendment to the Guaranteed Savings Contract Agreement between the City of Decatur and Kokosing Industrial, Inc. for the Water Works Improvement Project Phase IV for Construction. Hackman reminded the Board of the change order that had been approved in April. It was shared that there may be another amendment regarding any funds remaining after the Phase IV project is complete. The amended contract amount is \$1,630,462 for construction costs, \$100,000 for construction contingency, and \$155,742 for provider fixed fee for a total of \$1,886,204. The project will include the installation of raw water main for the transmission line replacement and distribution water main C.R. 500 loop completion and miscellaneous upgrades. The work is planned to begin on the projects this week in Decatur and in Berne. Approximately 2 ½ miles of pipe will be installed from the Berne Wells coming north. Fullenkamp made a motion to approve the amendment to the Contract with Kokosing Industrial for a total of \$1,886,204.00. Seconded by Coshow, the motion was adopted. This project will be paid from the Water bond proceeds.

Curt Witte, Building and Zoning Superintendent informed the Board that he had sent a letter to the residents at 815 W. Jefferson Street, Decatur regarding that his office was notified of a possible side yard setback violation. The east wall of their garage is located about 2 feet into an alley right-of-way. Since the building was built prior to when the City adopted a new zoning ordinance in 1978, this building would be grandfathered in regarding the setback code. Fullenkamp made a motion to make the letter sent by Building and Zoning Superintendent Witte a matter of record. Seconded by Coshow, the motion was adopted.

Operations Manager, Jeremy Gilbert shared that the old Train Depot that had been located at the Arnold Lumber location was removed years ago and was originally stored in Geneva. Earlier talk with the Historical Society went back and forth about rebuilding the Depot, but no decision had been made. As a result, the materials have been brought back to Decatur and left outdoors and has been deteriorating by the weather and also pieces are missing. Gilbert recommended discarding the materials. Fullenkamp made a motion to discard all of the remainder of the old Train Depot that had been torn down. Seconded by Coshow, the motion was adopted.

Jeremy Gilbert informed the Board that the plans for the detention pond in Homestead Addition have been completed and were ready to be put out for bids. Coshow made a motion for Gilbert to proceed with putting the Homestead Addition Detention Pond project out for bids. 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 6:29 P.M.