

BOARD OF WORKS & PUBLIC SAFETY
September 20, 2021 – 5:00 PM
Community Center, 311 N. Washington Street

Mayor Anita Werling opened the meeting at 5:00 p.m. Those present rose for the pledge of allegiance.

Dick Bradshaw, Kamron Yates, and Anita Werling were present.

Minutes of the September 7th, 2021 meeting were presented. Dick Bradshaw moved to accept the minutes as presented. Second by Kamron Yates. Without objection, motion carried.

Claims totaling \$701,878.62 were presented for approval. Kamron Yates moved to approve the claims. Second by Dick Bradshaw. Kamron Yates asked about claims from Sound Advice. Clerk-Treasurer Aldrich answered that these were for services rendered in 2020 for which invoices were just received. Visual Edge IT is our current provider for phone service. Dick Bradshaw asked about the Code Enforcement process and whether the certified letters had resulted in improvements. Mayor Werling said that several properties had come into compliance and explained the process for issuing citations with fines. Bradshaw also asked about the itemization of the legal claims and whether the attorney was on a retainer or billed by the hour. Mayor Werling indicated that the attorney was billing by the hour and that the itemization of the legal claims had begun several months earlier for transparency. The claims were approved. (3-0)

New Business.

Mayor Werling presented specifications for trash collection as part of a request for bids from companies that provide residential trash and recycling pickup. Werling explained that Advance Disposal has been acquired by Waste Management and that the city had received official notification that the contract for trash collection would not be renewed at the end of 2021. As a result, the city is seeking bids for trash collection services for the two-year period beginning January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2023. Kamron Yates moved to approve the specifications. Second by Dick Bradshaw. Werling responded to questions about the number of residential pickups, Spring cleanup, and other matters. Provision of totes by the company would be a limiting factor in the number of companies that might respond with bids. Very few companies are left in this business with Waste Management being the dominant one. Expectations are that the rates will increase significantly over the present contract of \$10.00 per resident per month. Motion carried. (3-0)

An advertisement for public bid for trash collection was presented for review. Kamron Yates moved to approve. Second by Dick Bradshaw. Motion carried. (3-0)

Proposals for completing Phase II of the Monon High Bridge Trail project to pave from Bison Plaza to the 300 N parking area along with a handicapped parking spot were presented for review. Three companies were solicited with proposals received from Milestone Contractors and Rieth-Riley; E&B Paving declined. Rieth-Riley's proposal was \$61,985; Milestone Contractors' proposal was \$58,970. Mayor Werling indicated that Superintendent Lyons had reviewed the proposals and recommended that the low bid from Milestone be accepted. Dick Bradshaw moved to accept the proposal from Milestone Contractors for \$58,970. Second by Kamron Yates. Motion carried. (3-0)

Miscellaneous Business.

Mayor Werling offered updates on projects underway in the city:

- SWIF grant – the city did not receive grant funding. More than \$700 million in grant applications were received for \$50 million in funding. The city is looking at other options to move forward with the redundant clarifier.
- BF&S has completed flow studies and projections for the Wastewater Analysis. The expansion project will plan to double capacity from 1.5 million gallons per day to 3.0 mgd. Options are being explored for the location of the plant expansion: to the south with second discharge permit; interceptor south with pretreated waste sent to existing plant; full expansion at existing plant. Study is on track for completion by end of 2021.
- Tank rehabs: Deer Creek is moving well—interior sandblasting and priming is complete; exterior cleaning underway. No major issues discovered. Armory Road Standpipe – draining complete and structures in places to tent the tank for sandblasting and painting. A layer of grease and oil was found lining the bottom and up 12 feet of side walls of the tank requiring degreasing before other work can proceed.
- Terrace Meadows CCMG 2021-1 project is scheduled to get underway this week depending on weather. Milestone is the contractor on that project.
- Monon High Bridge Project — rip rap is being laid in the area below the Geotech fabric to prevent further erosion in the slip area. Milestone has agreed to do this without additional cost. The city has also approved a change in the contract to use concrete instead of asphalt for 75 feet of trail to connect with High Bridge. With savings on stone and a few other areas this should not result in additional cost. The concrete is viewed as necessary since the work on the bridge is now not expected to take place before next spring. We were concerned that the weight of equipment needed to remove the timbers and to deliver the decking materials might damage the asphalt.

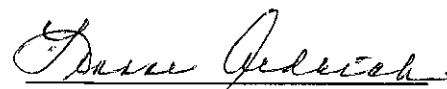
Public Comments.

Debbie Lowe asked about the expiration date on the Milestone proposal. Mayor Werling assured her that the proposal was still good based on Superintendent Lyons' contact with the firm.

With no further questions or comments, Dick Bradshaw made the motion to adjourn. Second by Kamron Yates. Motion carried without objection.

Meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.


Mayor Anita Werling


Leanne Aldrich, Attest