

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES

March 20, 2017

Chairman Fridly called the regular meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 6:30 pm.
Members present: Mayor Adams, Dan Barber, Scott Fridly, Jodi May and Don Self
Also present: Curtis Cook (Chastain & Associates) and Jeff Flemming (Rockford Architecture)
Absent: Kevin Bunge and Cory Magnus

Motion by Mrs. May, second by Mr. Fridly to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of March 6, 2017. All ayes. Motion approved 2-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

VILLAGE ENGINEER – KEVIN BUNGE

Village Engineer Kevin Bunge was absent. A copy of his report is on file with the Village Clerk's office.

MAYOR - DALE ADAMS

Mayor Adams went over the engineering report with the Committee. Mayor Adams stated the pole that needs to be moved for the grade school patch and asked if the \$4,919.54 should get approved. Mr. Fridly stated that they will include the cost of moving the pole in with another project later.

Mayor Adams asked about the water loan project documents and Mr. Fridly advised that Atty. Szeto is moving forward as far as the state is allowing him to move forward. Mr. Barber stated that Atty. Szeto is waiting on a few things from Mr. Bunge as far as the fire hydrants and valves. Mr. Fridly added that the IEPA needs a total cost of the project and Mr. Bunge is working on that as well.

Mr. Fridly stated that he spoke with Mr. Bunge about the sanitary crossing on Hawick Street. Mr. Fridly said the original quote from William Charles was \$97,000. Mr. Fridly stated that the quote went down to \$63,000, but there is a potential that it could go up \$28,000 depending on if the soil is bad and they won't know that until its dug up. Mr. Fridly added that this is just for the crossing and not tying it in. Mayor Adams stated that the main goal is to get across Highway 75 while its already tore up. Mrs. May questioned what would need to be done once they start doing other things in the business district. Mr. Fridly stated that there may be changes with tearing up the street. Mayor Adams feels optimistic that the soil won't be bad in this area, but the Village would know when the state starts digging up the roadway.

Mayor Adams advised the Committee that the parking study is complete if anyone would like to read it. Mayor Adams stated that Ms. Diduch read the report and stated that there isn't a parking problem, but more of a signage problem directing people where to park.

WATER, SEWER, & GARBAGE – SCOTT FRIDLY

Mr. Fridly stated that he has a purchase requisition up for approval at the Village Board meeting on March 21, 2017 for a four-gas monitor from Safety First for the Public Works Department in the amount of \$2,244.83. Mr. Barber explained that he needs this for when they go down into the lift stations and this is the same monitor that the fire department uses. The Committee was okay with this.

Mr. Fridly said that the Village needs to start looking at getting a loan for the new Public Works building. Mr. Barber stated that he met with the USDA about a potential loan and its questionable whether they would be able to get a loan. Mr. Barber added that he has concerns because Mr. Trump plans on cutting USDA

funding. Mayor Adams stated he would check with local banks and see what type of rate the Village could get for a 20 year loan. Ms. Quimby also sent projections to Mr. Fridly as to what the Village could afford. Mr. Fridly requested that Chastain & Associates work up a payment schedule for the construction of the new building. Curtis Cook (Chastain & Associates) provided the Committee with an opinion of cost for the site work for the new building in the amount of \$1,008,833.14. Mr. Cook stated that this would also include the salt bin, fuel pumps, utility access and architect and engineering fees. Jeff Flemming (Rockford Architecture) showed the Committee three drawings of the building with various layouts and options and provided them with a cost sheet for the different options. The Committee decided on the third drawing (Alternate A-2) which included an additional 28' wide bay door in addition to the Alternate A-1 add ons. Mr. Barber stated that he may be able to hold off on some of the A-1 add ons to keep the cost down and purchase them later. Mr. Fridly stated that this would increase the cost of the new building from \$2.3M to \$2.6M. The Committee stated that they were comfortable with this and feel that this would still fall into the area of payments that the Village could afford. The Committee estimated payments to be approximately \$15,000/month for 20 years with an interest rate of 3.375%. Mr. Fridly stated that he would get a consensus at the Village Board not to exceed \$2.6M so that the site work can move forward on the project. The Committee was okay with this.

STREETS AND WALKS – CORY MAGNUS

None.

BUILDINGS AND PARKS – JODI MAY

Mr. Self stated that he would like to transfer \$1,500 from the general fund into the checking account for The Hut program at First National Bank. Mr. Self said that this is in the budget and that he does this every year, but Ms. Quimby advised that the transfer of funds needs to be approved by the Village Board. The Committee was okay with this.

PUBLIC WORKS – DAN BARBER

Mr. Barber provided the Committee with a copy of the Public Works monthly report.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR – DON SELF

None.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS ALLOWED BY LAW

Mayor Adams advised the Committee that he spoke with Tim Storm in reference to the Fat Wallet building. Mr. Storm inquired if the Village would be interested in purchasing the building for \$2.4M. Mr. Storm added that if the Village wasn't interested in purchasing the building that he could also lease the building to the Village.

ADJOURN

Motion by Mrs. May, second by Mr. Fridly to adjourn at 7:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Stewart
Village Clerk