

Public Works Committee Meeting
Monday, February 20, 2017
Red Bud City Hall
Council Chambers (2nd floor)

Committee Members Present: Clarence Nail, Glenn Linnertz, Kyle Donjon, Bill Hanebutt, Clem Esker

Committee Members Absent: None

Council Members Present: David Friess

Council Members Absent: Don Thompson, Mike Reed

Others Present: Mayor Tim Lowry, City Attorney Paul Ray, City Superintendent Josh Eckart, Code Administrator Jeff Mueller, Police Chief John Brittingham, Administrative Assistant Pam Poetker, City Clerk Joanne Cowell

Committee Chairman Nail called the meeting to order at 7:19 P.M.

Old Business

I. Power Plant

1. Plant Report

Eckart said that it is business as usual. The training in Highland was very good and the next one in Sullivan is March 9th.

II. Safe Routes to School

Eckart reported that John Schaller from District 8, IDOT, has sent Fournie's bid letter to Springfield and is awaiting approval after they talk to Fournie.

III. West Line Water Main Extension Phase III Project

1. Pay Application #1

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Nail, seconded by Committee Member Linnertz to approve pay estimate #1 to Haier Plumbing & Heating, in the amount of \$136,613.80, for the West Water Main Extension Phase III Project. Carried

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Nail, seconded by Committee Member Linnertz to approve the transfer of funds from the capital account to the water fund in the amount of \$143,804.00. Carried

IV. Inventory Control Program

Eckart is working on inventory control as he has time and will report to the committee as needed. This will be removed from the old business agenda.

V. Equipment/Vehicle Updates

1. Truck #24

Consensus was to list truck #24 on GovDeals.com. Eckart will work out the details.

VI. North Water Tower – Authorization for Agreement for Professional Engineering Services

Rhutasel has signed the engineering agreement and is currently working on the document plans.

VII. Permanent Street Program – FY'18

No update

VIII. MFT

No update

Chairman Nail asked if anything has been found out about the missing annexed property documents for the old Harold Liefer, Lutheran Church, and the two cemeteries properties. Poetker said she had not been able to find anything. Code Administrator Mueller was instructed to contact the property owners to see if they are willing to annex their property. Mueller was asked to contact Greg Crawford to see if he can help the city out by having his property cleaned up. Nail asked Poetker where she was on scanning documents and she said they had all been trained and Julie was working on it.

New Business

I. Approval of Prior Month's Meeting Minutes – Meeting January 16, 2017

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Nail, seconded by Committee Member Linnertz, to approve the minutes from the January 16, 2017 meeting. Carried

II. Electric Fund Transfer

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Nail, seconded by Committee Member Linnertz, to approve the transfer of \$100,000 from the electric cash account to the capital plan for the FY'17 allotment. Carried

III. Training Request: Josh Eckart, Kenny Langrehr, Steve Muertz – GUA Spring Seminar '17

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Nail, seconded by Committee Member Linnertz, to approve the request to send Josh Eckart, Kenny Langrehr and Steve Muertz to training entitled "Annual Gas Utilities Alliance Training Seminar" in Mt. Vernon, IL on March 15, 2017, with a fee of \$50, transportation required. Carried

IV. MRT Pipeline on MM Road

Eckart reported that MRT-CenterPoint Energy contacted him regarding removing the MM Road gas take point permanently. It has not been in service for 20 years or so and would take 4.5-5 million dollars to overhaul the equipment. Consensus was to allow MRT to abandon the take point. Attorney Ray said the easements are perpetual and will continue to be in place as long as the pipeline is in the easements.

V. Step Increase Electric Apprentice 3 – Matt Shields

Recommendation made by Committee Chairman Nail, seconded by Committee Member Linnertz, to approve moving Matt Shields up to Electric Apprentice 3 at the pay rate of \$23.28/hour. Carried

VI. Public Comments/Anything for the Good of the City
None

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne G. Cowell, City Clerk
Red Bud, Illinois