

**BOARD OF WORKS  
TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2017  
5:00 P.M.**

Mayor Ryan Daniel – Present  
Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle – Present  
Attorney Marcia McNagny – Present  
Daniel Weigold – Present  
Walter Crowder – Present

The Columbia City Board of Works met in regular session with all members present, Mayor Daniel presiding.

**MINUTES** Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve an overview of the February 14, 2017 meeting minutes as presented, Weigold seconded the motion, Mayor Daniel and Weigold voted aye, Crowder abstained.

Motion was made by Weigold to approve an overview of the February 18, 2017 meeting minutes as presented, Crowder seconded the motion, Weigold and Crowder voted aye, Mayor Daniel abstained.

**CEMETERY MOWING BID AWARD** Kelly Cearbaugh recommended awarding the bid to J & J Landscaping. Walt Crowder questioned if it would be for 1 or 3 years. Rosie Coyle reported they bid for 3 years but Kelly would like to try them for 1 year. Attorney McNagny suggested confirming with them that they would be ok with 1 year since it looked as though they were bidding on a 3 year term. Walt Crowder questioned if there was a clause that would allow us to drop them if they were not meeting our expectations. Rosie Coyle advised there was.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to enter into a 1 year contract with J & J Landscaping with the option of an additional 2 years if the City was happy with their work. Kelly Cearbaugh suggested just awarding the bid for the 3 years and if they do not work out we could drop them.

Mayor Daniel rescinded his motion.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to enter into a 3 year agreement with J & J Landscaping for cemetery mowing services as outlined, Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**CONSTRUCTION WARRANTY – QUAIL RIDGE LIFT STATION & FORCED MAIN**  
Jeff Walker reported the punch list items that came about from the inspection of their staff have been taken care of. He advised the lift station was operating as designed and was ready to be taken over. He recommended the Board accept the lift station as of this date for the one year warranty to begin.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve and accept the Quail Ridge lift station and forced main with a warranty start date as of March 14, 2017 and end date of March 14, 2019, Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**CONSTRUCTION OF FENCE – 301 E. COLLINS STREET** Eric Monnier of 301 E. Collins Street was present to request permission to extend his fence about 20 ft. onto the city easement on Coesse Street. He shared there was a sewer line there but the fence should not extend over it.

Mayor Daniel confirmed with Mr. Monnier that he understood if sewer work were to be done in that easement he would be responsible for any costs to remove and repair the fence. Mr. Monnier advised he did.

Jeff Walker shared he would be constructing a 4ft chain link fence and should not go deep enough to interfere with the sewer line. He advised there were no line of site issues and was in the back yard only.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the 301 E. Collins Street fence into the right of way as presented, Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**STREET CLOSING PERMIT – OLD SETTLERS** Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the street closing permit for Old Settlers Days between 11 p.m. on Sunday, June 18 and 6 a.m. on Sunday, June 25 with the caveat that they get with the Fire Chief and Fire Inspector to discuss ride placement and amusement placement, Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**CURB CUT PERMIT – 571 TOWERVIEW DRIVE** Kelly Cearbaugh reported the gentleman contacted him about extending his driveway out to Towerview Drive. He advised he had a preexisting paved drive and would like to extend the drive out from his garage. He did not see any issues with the request.

Motion was made by Weigold to accept the permit to cut into the curb at 571 Towerview Drive as presented, Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**ELECTRIC TRUCK QUOTES** Shawn Lickey explained this truck was one they had budgeted for. He obtained 2 quotes and suggested going with City Ford as they had the lowest bid of \$28,169.25.

Walt Crowder expressed a concern with a situation of a weak engine in one of our current Ford vehicles and wanted to make sure this truck would not have the same engine. Shawn Lickey explained this would be for a ½ ton truck but would check to make sure it was not the same engine. He advised he has one in the fleet currently and has not had any issues with it.

Rosie Coyle questioned if anything would be traded in. Shawn Lickey advised the vehicle they were getting rid of would be done through City auction; the trade in value was less than \$2,000.

Motion was made by Crowder to support the request to go with City Ford for a 2017 150 ½ ton for the total amount of \$28,169.25 with the caveat to confirm the engine model, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**CURB CUT PERMIT – 118 W VAN BUREN STREET** Kelly Cearbaugh advised he talked with a gentleman from NIPSCO about retiring a gas line in the north/south alley. He shared the actual construction would occur in the east/west alley behind Chapman Brewery to run a new line.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the permit to cut into an alley at 118 W. Van Buren Street as presented, Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**USDA FUNDING** Jeff Walker shared in a continuous effort to try and widdle down the anticipated costs of the LTCP Combined Sewer Overflow project they have met with USDA as well as OCRA to look for any type of additional grant opportunities. He advised both agencies require specific information; part of the requirement of USDA is that we have a formal meeting. He advised as we go through the application process USDA wants to make sure the public is made aware that the City is pursuing funding through them. He shared we have had one mailing of the income survey and will soon be having a second mailing to develop what our low to moderate income level is. He noted if our LMI is at a high enough level we would get, at some point, a percentage of grant money towards the anticipated \$8.5 million project.

Jeff Walker explained the preliminary engineering report they have been working on between USDA, United Consulting, Umbaugh & Associates as well as Rosie Coyle was just about completed. He stated the PER was essentially telling the story of where we have been with our agreed order, what we have committed to, all of the alternative projects United Consulting listed as well as what agencies we need to get reviews from and what was ultimately decided for the project.

Jeff Walker advised once the application was complete and Julie Henney at the local USDA office was satisfied with it, she would get it out to the other agencies. He shared they were still looking at the end of this year for everything to be ready. He stated United Consulting should have Not for Constructing documents ready to submit to IDEM in July. He felt we were right on track and were ahead of what the requirement was from IDEM to have this final project complete.

**BILLS** Motion was made by Weigold to pay the bills as presented in the amount of \$736,005.00, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**FIRE TRUCK QUOTE** Tom LaRue advised he has kept the Board apprised of the situation with one of the vehicles in their fleet. He shared that he has talked with Mayor Daniel about different vehicles that might be appropriate for their department; several of the guys and he have discussed looking at a transit type vehicle that would still have the hauling capabilities for equipment, manpower and a tow package to hook a trailer to. He asked the Board for permission to put out a bid or quote to potentially trade in the current 2010 F250 truck on something along the line of a transit vehicle.

The Board was in agreement to proceed with getting quotes.

Having no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

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Mayor Ryan Daniel

Attest:

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Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle