

**BOARD OF WORKS
TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2014
5:15 P.M.**

Mayor Ryan Daniel – Present
Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle – Present
Attorney Marcia McNagy – Present
Daniel Weigold – Present
Walt Crowder – Present

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

MINUTES Motion was made by Weigold to approve an overview of the January 14, 2014 meeting minutes as presented, Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

DON LANGELOH: USE OF PVC This issue was postponed

REQUEST FOR STREET CLOSING – JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT CAR SHOW

Mayor Daniel confirmed there were no changes from last year. Rosie Coyle advised there was not.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the street closing for Jr. Achievement's annual car & truck show for August 2 from 6 am to 2 pm, Weigold seconded the motion.

Walt Crowder questioned if we notified the DBA. Mayor Daniel noted that we needed to change the form to Main Street group attention Liane Minier as there was no longer a DBA.

Upon the motion, all voted aye.

FINANCING FOR POTENTIAL STORM WATER PROJECTS Jeff Walker explained this project was a little different in the way we would fund it; through cash reserves and local financing. He explained they looked at the consultants estimated construction costs and plugged that number to get different types of financing to give the Board an idea. He stated the most updated estimated construction cost was about \$900,000. He explained they put together financing based off of the different amounts and then term. He advised we had more than adequate debt coverage for any of the options presented.

He stated February 11 they would be holding an updated common construction wage hearing and on February 28 they plan on approving the consulting firm for inspection services. He asked approval from the Board to begin advertising for the bid letting to potential construction firms. The Board was fine with moving forward with the advertising.

Walt Crowder confirmed there would be no bonds as part of any of the options. Jeff Walker advised there would not. Crowder felt they needed a little more time to evaluate the options.

Mayor Daniel advised they would take the information under advisement.

REQUEST FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY Motion was made by Crowder to approve the request for leave of absence without pay as presented, Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

QUOTES FOR NEW BOILER FOR CITY HALL Troy Gawthrop gave an update on the boiler at City Hall that was installed roughly around 1991 when City Hall was remodeled. He advised we have done a good job at limping it along but it was now starting to leak water and usually when that happens there is not much life left to it. He

explained our current boiler was about 1 million BTU unit but suggested putting in two 500,000 units so that if one would go down we would have a backup unit.

Troy explained he wrote specs and distributed them to the three local contractors but only two replied; Flow Tech and Redman's, his recommendation was to go with the low bidder, Flow Tech.

Troy advised there was a rebate involved of about \$900.00.

Walt Crowder questioned the funding source. Rosie Coyle advised they were still researching that.

Troy noted that installation would take 3 days so there would be some down time. Dan Weigold questioned if it was an option to put in over a weekend. Troy advised that was an option; however, it would involve overtime and they did not include that in the bids. Walt Crowder felt it was something they should consider.

Motion was made by Weigold to go with the bid from Flow Tech for the amount of \$30,915.00 with the date of installation to be determined, Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

TRAINING REIMBURSEMENT POLICY Shawn Lickey advised this was something they wanted to put in place before hiring additional employees. He explained it guarantees the City that if we hire someone and send them through training that they will stay employed with the City for 3 years after their completed training; otherwise, if they leave, they would be responsible to reimburse the City for the training. Attorney McNagny noted that it would be prorated reimbursement over the 3 year period.

Shawn explained the only class they were going to make mandatory was the pole climbing class which tends to 'thin out the herd' and that class may not be subject to this policy. He stated they would have a schedule of voluntary classes and the expenses. Dan Weigold clarified that it would be for any type of training, even if there was no advancement. Attorney McNagny advised that was correct, any voluntary training the City was paying for.

Mayor Daniel questioned if this was something that would potentially move into other departments. Attorney McNagny advised this was for all utilities. Discussion followed on policy's already in place for other departments. Attorney McNagny suggested she could change the policy to include all City departments excluding public safety.

Motion was made by Weigold to accept the training reimbursement policy as presented with the revision to include all City Employees, excluding public safety, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion.

Walt Crowder asked for clarification on voluntary versus required training; an employee volunteering to enhance themselves versus job qualifications that say they have to get certain licensing. Shawn Lickey felt if we tell them they have to go to a class that it was mandatory, he did not feel we could legally make them reimburse us for that. Attorney McNagny agreed.

BILLS Motion was made by Weigold to pay the bills as presented \$1,534,846.06, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

Having no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Mayor Ryan Daniel

Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle