

BOARD OF WORKS
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2015
5:15 PM

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 Weigold to approve an overview of the February 10, 2015 meeting minutes as presented, Crowder seconded the motion, Weigold and Crowder voted aye, Mayor Daniel abstained.

STREET CLOSING REQUEST: DON GOLDEN – CUBMOBILE RACE (BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA) Don Golden with the Boy Scouts of America shared a video on the Cubmobile race they would like to have in Columbia City.

Motion was made by Crowder to move forward with the street closing request by Boy Scouts of America to support an event on May 9 with a rain date of May 16 located on Old Trail Road from West Van Buren to West Ellsworth Street, Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

WARRANTY AND PLAT APPROVAL: CHESAPEAKE LANDING III Motion was made by Weigold to approve the start of the construction warranty, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the escrow agreement in the amount of \$18,000 as presented, Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

STEVE HOLLOWAY: USE OF SIDEWALK AT THE VAN BUREN CENTER Steve Holloway explained they, along with renters of The Van Buren, have expressed an interest in outside seating during special events. He stated it would be on the east side of The Van Buren for about 60 feet and would have a temporary barrier with the appropriate signage for the duration of the event. He explained if there was going to be alcohol at the event that area could be designated as the bar area; State Excise has given their blessing to the design.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to allow Steve and The Van Buren group to hold events on the sidewalk 5 foot out from the building to allow a walkway between the road and the area in which will be blocked off, Weigold seconded the motion.

Walt Crowder questioned in regards to opening the sidewalk for this type of use if the City needed to consider a waiver or liability since a private entity would be using a public sidewalk for services. Attorney McNagny advised this would be enclosed and was not like a sign jetting out that someone could run into. She stated The Van Buren would have insurance for the parties that would cover the guests so was not really worried about the guests, it would be somebody

walking into it but because it was an enclosed area as opposed to a sign or something jetting out the insurance would cover whatever event is being hosted.

Upon the motion, all voted aye.

STREET CLOSING REQUEST – TASTE OF THE TOWN 2015 Tim Longenbaugh believed it to be the same area that was closed off last year. Mayor Daniel felt it would be good to have a more concrete map as to where things were going to be placed. Dan Weigold agreed.

The issue was tabled.

REQUEST FOR HIRING – DISPATCH Terry Wherry reported they received paperwork that one of his dispatcher would be retiring on March 12 and requested permission to start the hiring process.

The Board approved moving forward.

REQUEST FOR HIRING – WASTEWATER The Board approved moving forward with the hiring process to fill a vacancy in the department.

OLD FIRE TRUCK UPDATE Mike Shoda shared that he would like to make a dump truck out of it and felt it could be done for about \$25,000.00 versus buying a used truck at about \$69,000.00 or even a new truck at almost \$100,000.00. He advised he and Tom LaRue came to a price of \$2,000.00 that the water department would pay for the fire department for the truck.

Mayor Daniel felt \$2,000.00 was a fair price knowing that the water department would have to put additional dollars into it. He noted that no other department could use it as a fire truck.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the truck transfer in exchange of \$2,000.00 between the fire and water department, Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

TRASH CONTRACT RENEWAL Mayor Daniel reported the Trash Committee met and reviewed the specs and the service from Advanced Disposal. He stated it was a unanimous decision by the Committee to report back to the Board of Works to grant the additional 3 year extension of the contract.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to grant the additional 3 year extension that is automatic in the contract, Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

POLICE CAR QUOTES Tim Longenbaugh distributed quotes for new police vehicles; Dodge Charger V6 and V8 and the Ford Utility Interceptor (Explorer). He stated in doing some research he found that the Ford Utility Interceptor now outsells any police vehicle that is made. He talked with some other Chief's in the area and shared the benefits of the Interceptor. He recommended ordering 2 of the Ford Interceptor's from Bob Thomas. Mayor Daniel questioned if there would be trade in's. Chief Longenbaugh advised there would not be but he would be selling at least 2 of the Crown Vic vehicles.

Walt Crowder questioned how the auction worked out with the last vehicles. Chief Longenbaugh advised it worked out fine but they did not make any more money than when we do open bids.

Walt Crowder questioned if they would stagger the vehicles on shifts. Chief Longenbaugh advised his goal was to have an all-wheel drive on all 3 shifts. Crowder questioned if they would be used for a K-9. Chief Longenbaugh stated it was possible; although, the K-9 vehicle they have is already set up for it and that vehicle still has service left to it.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to go with Chief Longenbaugh's recommendation to purchase from Bob Thomas for \$26,331.00 per vehicle for 2 vehicles, Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

ELECTRIC TRUCK #455 REPLACEMENT Shawn Lickey explained this would be to replace the 2003 Ford F250. He stated he would like to move forward while it still had some value. He stated the 2 bids he had were from City Ford and Kelley Ford with about \$600 difference between the 2 bids. He asked for direction from the Board.

Walt Crowder supported staying local. Weigold agreed.

Motion was made by Crowder to purchase the 2015 Ford F150 4-wheel drive as presented for the amount of \$22,637.57 with a trade in value of \$5,000.00 for the trade in vehicle, Weigold seconded the motion.

Shawn Lickey noted he would be purchasing a snow plow for the truck at some point.

Upon the motion, all voted aye.

BILLS Motion was made by Weigold to approve the bills as presented in the amount of \$807,660.30, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

FIBER PROJECT Shawn Lickey reported they had physically taken ownership of the fiber optic wire and would be meeting with the contractor next week and hoped to have them mobilized by the end of the month.

POLICE OFFICER RESIGNATION Tim Longenbaugh reported he accepted a letter of resignation from one of his officers and his official last day will be March 7.

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

Attest:

Mayor Ryan Daniel

Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle