

**BOARD OF WORKS
TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2019
5:00 PM**

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

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

MINTUES Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve an overview of the July 9, 2019 meeting minutes as presented, Dan Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

AMI METER PRESENTATION Shawn Lickey expressed he was very proud of the team working on this project and advised they were ready to move forward with full implementation. He felt the pilot program went very well. He advised this would be a 3 phase project, purchasing of the equipment being the biggest portion, secondly the installation and then the meter data management system. He reviewed the quote from Anixter which is partnered with Tantalus. He noted the grand total of the quote was \$760,725.00 but have budgeted for more than that. He added we would have \$60,000 - \$70,000 for installation but would come at a later date. He advised the meters were 14 – 18 weeks out. He noted there was a very minimal software charge and were partnering with REMC which helps to come in at a lower cost.

He advised his recommendation was to do full system implementation but if the Board would prefer they could split it up into 2 years. He shared he would like to move forward with full implantation since they have been saving for 4 years for this and the money was in the budget for it.

Dan Weigold felt with technology changing so fast he would rather just be progressive and get everything done now.

Mayor Daniel questioned the life span of the meters. Shawn Lickey advised REMC was still operating on the very first version of Tantalus, which was at least 13 years ago. He shared there have been 5 series since then and REMC was just now up updating.

It was noted that shortly they will be able to download firmware that would give us the ability to read the Neptune water devices, which would be a major cost savings.

Mayor Daniel agreed they should do the project in one shot. He shared the last thing we want is to be like the water department in that they had 3 to 4 different meters out in the system there for a while.

Mayor Daniel confirmed the \$760,725.00 was for the equipment and engineering services. Shawn Lickey advised that was correct. Mayor Daniel then confirmed the annual support maintenance and hosting was a separate fee of \$10,000.00 and then would have another request for the installation. Shawn Lickey advised that was correct and noted he has received quotes from Anixter and Power Metrics for the installation.

Rosie Coyle questioned if there was an approximate amount on the installation. Shawn Lickey advised it would be about \$60,000.00.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the purchase request from Shawn Lickey for Tantalus through Anixter for the amount of \$760,725.00 for purchase of equipment and engineering services, Dan Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve \$10,154.00 for the annual maintenance and hosting as presented, Dan Weigold seconded the motion.

Mayor Daniel questioned if this would be for a year's worth of support; after installation. It was explained we would get a license agreement from Tantalus and would be effective as of the date of signing.

Upon the motion, all voted aye.

RIGHT OF WAY APPLICATION – 365 JAMES STREET Motion was made by Dan Weigold to accept application for approval to locate utility improvements within City right of way for QC Communications for Mediacom for 365 James Street, Columbia City, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

REQUEST TO CUT INTO STREETS & ALLEYS – VAN BUREN LOFTS – CENTURYLINK Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the request to cut into curbs, streets and alleys for CenturyLink as presented, Dan Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

PAY REQUEST – DONOHUE – INVOICE 11 \$21,834.70 Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve pay request Invoice 13467-11 in the amount of \$21,834.70, Dan Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

PAY REQUEST – DONOHUE – INVOICE 6 \$420.00 Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve Invoice 13519-06 in the amount of \$420.00 as presented, Dan Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

STREET CLOSING REQUEST – CHAMBER'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY SOIREE ON THE SQUARE Jennifer Romano was present to discuss the closing request.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the Whitley County Chamber's Soiree on the Square for Friday, August 23, from 5 – 10 pm as presented, Dan Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

BILLS AND PAYROLL Motion was made by Dan Weigold to pay the bills as presented in the amount of \$1,144,940.78, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

Motion was mad by Dan Weigold to approve Allowance Docket for payfile ending 07/05/2019 in the amount of \$232,515.07 and the overtime of \$8,028.26, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS **Shawn Lickey** – working on quotes for Line and North Street traffic signals. **Scott Leatherman** – update on Dispatch Center and hiring process.

Having no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Ryan Daniel

Attest:

Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle