

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2015

#1 CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Mike Puhr called the meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 5:57 p.m.

Roll Call was answered by Chairman Mike Puhr, Vice Chairman Jon Cooper, Aldermen Lloyd Randle, Mike O'Kane, Sherry Pickering, and Rick Strebing. Alderman Rickey Williams, Jr. was absent. A quorum was present. Alderman Williams arrived at 6:01 p.m.

Others in attendance included Mayor Scott Eisenhauer, Alderman R. J. Davis, City Comptroller Gayle Lewis, Deputy City Clerk Megan Mudd, Engineering & Urban Services Director David Schnelle, Public Transportation Director Lisa Beith, Public Works Director Doug Ahrens, Streets & Sewers Superintendent Ray Garcia, 2 audience members, and 2 news media.

#2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Puhr presented Minutes of the special meeting of July 21 and Minutes of the regular meeting of August 11, 2015. Alderman Randle moved for approval as presented, seconded by Vice Chairman Cooper. On the voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered.

#3 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Puhr presented the agenda. There being no changes, Alderman O'Kane moved for approval as presented, seconded by Alderman Pickering. On the voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered.

[Alderman Williams arrived at 6:01 p.m. during presentation of the next item and took his seat at the dais.]

#4 AUDIENCE COMMENTS – None

#5 CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS - None

#6 PAYROLL

Chairman Puhr presented Payroll for September 4, 2015 of \$534,719.05. Alderman Cooper moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Alderman Randle. There being no questions, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Strebing, Williams, Cooper, Randle, O'Kane, Pickering, Puhr

Nays: None

Motion carried 7 to 0.

#7 VOUCHERS PAYABLE

Chairman Puhr presented the Schedule of Vouchers Payable for regular run of September 8, 2015, of \$396,315.52. Alderman O'Kane moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Vice Chairman Cooper. There being no questions, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Williams, Cooper, Randle, O'Kane, Pickering, Strebing, Puhr

Nays: None

Motion carried 7 to 0.

#8 DANVILLE AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (DATS) – Jaclyn Marganski, Director
#8-A) Items of Information

- Director Marganski – No update.

#9 ENGINEERING & URBAN SERVICES – David Schnelle, Director

#9-A) Items of Information

#9-A-1) H & L Landfill Update – Nothing new to report.

#9-A-2) NPDES Stormwater Management Update – Director Schnelle stated they have been reaching out to the community. They went to Center City Neighborhood Group last week and handed out storm water surveys which resulted in a quite a few responses. Holiday Hills and Lincoln Park will be next.

#9-A-3) Project Updates

Bowman Avenue Project – The project is almost wrapped up, pavement striping went down and they are waiting on the establishment of some plant materials. They anticipate some trees will die, but they do have a retainer so they can be replanted if needed.

South Griffin Street Project – The project is going smoothly, structural steel has been set and they are getting ready to form up for concrete. There will be a pre-deck pour meeting this week and they are anticipating a deck pour by next week. Director Schnelle also stated they have received the contract back for the overlay project so that should be getting started up fairly soon as well.

#10 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION – Lisa Beith, Director

#10-A) Chairman Puhr presented a resolution awarding Bid Number 547 for Fleet Liability Insurance. Vice Chairman Cooper moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Alderman Strebing. Director Beith stated that RLI Transportation is the same carrier they have had for the last four years, also that the original bid from last year was less than this one but since they do not have to pay for additional vehicles this year it is altogether less than last year's bid. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Cooper, Randle, O'Kane, Pickering, Strebing, Williams, Puhr

Nays: None

Motion carried 7 to 0.

#10-B-1) The Monthly Recap for August 2015, included Monthly Revenue Record and Ridership History. The August fixed route ridership totaled 56,740. The August total ADA ridership report has not been submitted as yet, but the July ridership was 843 rides. The total revenue for the month of August was \$37,137.06 which includes Farebox and Subscription revenue at \$19,997.26; Ticket Sales at \$14,693.30, and Advertising at \$1,087.50.

#10-B) Items of Information

Public Transportation is still waiting to hear back on estimates for repair from the storm damage they received to the back of their lot so it can be repaired and used as the transfer area. Director Beith will be attending a state conference next week and hoping to get answers regarding the repairs and new transfer facility. Director Beith also stated the shelter will be up soon on the west side of Bowman Avenue.

#11 PUBLIC WORKS – Doug Ahrens, Director

#11-A) Chairman Puhr presented a resolution awarding Bid Number 548 to Rahn Equipment Company of Danville, Illinois for the purchase of two dump beds and tow packages in the amount of \$146,360.00. Alderman Strebing moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Vice Chairman Cooper. Director Ahrens stated that this bid is actually for plow packages and the specifications were prepared by Ray Garcia and Carl Carpenter based on the needs of the operations group, and also only one bid was received, and that was from Rahn Equipment Company. Director Ahrens stated these will go on the two trucks of cab &

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chassis that were approved at the last City Council meeting. Alderman Pickering asked if there would be anything else going on the trucks. Director Ahrens replied no, not aside from the usual stickers and decals. Chairman Puhr asked to confirm that it will come out of the capital fund; Director Ahrens replied yes it will. There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Cooper, Randle, O'Kane, Pickering, Strebing, Williams, Puhr

Nays: None

Motion carried 7 to 0.

#11-B) Chairman Puhr presented a resolution authorizing the Purchase of a Mower for Harrison Park Golf Course—NJPA Contract #070313-DAC and Authorizing a Budget Amendment in Harrison Park Fund (401). Alderman Strebing moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Alderman Pickering. Director Ahrens stated that the previous mower was fully insured and the insurance proceeds are reflected in the budget amendment in the amount of \$82, 513.55. Director Ahrens stated that rather than buying a single unit that large and expensive a decision was reached after a meeting with Mayor Eisenhower to downsize on the mower in order to secure some of the more critical equipment currently needed at the golf course. Director Ahrens also stated this is an 11 ft. mower and will also serve as the back-up mower in case the Park's mower is malfunctioning. They also received numbers for Jacobsen and Toro mowers and this was the cheapest of those three units. Alderman Strebing asked the Director if any park money would be applied to the purchase of this mower, Director Ahrens replied no, because in the instance that this mower were to be out of commission, they would be using the park's mower as a back-up.

There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Randle, O'Kane, Pickering, Strebing, Williams, Cooper, Puhr

Nays: None

Motion carried 7 to 0.

#11-C) Items of Information

- Director Schnelle reported that on Thursday evening (9/10/15) at 5:30p.m. there will be a public meeting at the Public Works Facility regarding the Housing Task Force report. They would like to explain the process, receive public input, and review its related recommendations.
- Director Ahrens reported that, as he had indicated last month, the City had a great pool season and this year had over 17,000 swimmers at the municipal pool facility. The swimmers generated revenue in excess of \$41,000 through all of the attendance.
- Director Ahrens encouraged everyone to attend the Vermilion River Fall Festival next weekend (09/18, 09/19, 09/20, 2015) at Ellsworth Park.
- After reviewing all applicants with Mayor Eisenhower, Director Ahrens announced that Ray Garcia has been promoted to the Operations Manager position in the Public Works Department.
- There are still a number of tree limbs that are being cleaned up due to a recent storm, with plans to be out on South Griffin and Old Ottawa in the next week.

#12 CLOSED SESSION – None

#13 COMMITTEE MEMBERS' COMMENTS

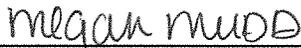
- Alderman Williams asked the Chairman what time tonight's meeting was called to order, because according to his time he arrived close to 6:00p.m. It was confirmed by Mayor Eisenhower and Chairman Puhr that the clock in the Council Chambers was running a

few minutes fast. Mayor Eisenhower said the clock will be synced to reflect the correct time.

- Audience member Jan Ostiguy asked the committee if and who she could bring her pictures to of the storm water damage sustained to her property after filing on the website. Director Schnelle stated she could send her pictures directly to him and he would put them in the directory.
- Mayor Eisenhower suggested putting together a public meeting for those residents that do not have a neighborhood association regarding the storm water damage.

#14 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m. after a motion by Alderman Randle and a second by Alderman Pickering.



Megan Mudd, Deputy City Clerk

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