

Mayor Grenke called the special meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Don Bormann, James Lee, Landon Magley, Catherine Simmons and David Wilkins answered roll call.

Absent: Alderman Jon Angell

Also present were City Administrator Lynn P. Behrns, City Attorney Merritt Beck, Police Chief Larry Dudgeon

Others present: Phil Hoffman, Randy Simmons

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mayor Grenke led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

Authorizing Change Order No 1 to Switzler Street Project:

The ordinance was introduced by Behrns. He noted that the original design for reconstruction with 8 inches of concrete for Switzler Street does work, but actually looking at it in the field and seeing the way the street will look next to the yards in the area there is a significant drop. Several aldermen looked at it and the City brought engineer back to examine the street. The engineer has prepared an alternate set of designs and she did come up with a new design that will work for the area.

There was some discussion amongst the Board after reviewing the two sets of alternative plans provided by the engineer for the Switzler Street project. Behrns noted that while the Board was still determining which action to take on the project, the contractor was asked to hold off on further work until there was a decision made. Mayor Grenke questioned what the recommendation from City staff and the engineer would be, and Behrns said that Option 2 would be the recommendation.

The quote for the addition to the Switzler Street project was \$34,004 from Cannon plus the cost of pipe. There was some discussion regarding vendors that would be able to provide the pipe needed for the project. The contractor was asking for 20 additional days on the contract.

A motion was made by Alderman Simmons to accept the change order number one, option two in the amount of \$34,004 from Cannon to the Switzler Street project. Alderman Wilkins seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

Behrns said that the second request is to allow Phil Hoffman to go with the firm that can get the price for the Beco. A motion was made by Alderman Simmons to allow Phil Hoffman to make the necessary purchase. Alderman Bormann seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

May Arise:

Mayor asked if everyone had been notified that the Governor will be in town Thursday to discuss his veto of house bill 253, and noted that he did receive an email requesting to find out if the Board of Aldermen or Chamber of Commerce would be taking any kind of stand on the issue.

The aldermen discussed the issue, and determined that they would need more information to be able to take a stand on the house bill.

Alderman Simmons stated that she had a constituent stop by and ask to address the city taking debit card payments. Behrns said that the recommendation has always be not to take those payments because there is no way the City can do that without incurring a surcharge. Mayor Grenke asked if we send the ACH payments at not cost. Lockett said that there is a small fee of .08 cents per transaction. Bormann added that if there is a way the City can pass on the surcharge, he thinks it would be ok. Behrns said that if the Board is willing to stretch it out a bit, we will be getting bank bids again for a 3 year cycle. There is legislation allowing the county to pass on the charges, but not technically for municipalities.

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There being no further business to discuss, Alderman Wilkins made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Magley seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays the motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.



Heather Lockett, City Clerk