

Minutes of the Public Works and Public Utilities Committee for Monday, January 8, 2018.

The meeting was called to order by Alderman, Jim Lee, and Chairperson at 7:02 p.m.

I. Present

Present were Mayor Tim Grenke, Aldermen David Wilkins, Don Rodgers, Andrea Vollrath, Robert Hudson, David Wilkins and Jim Lee. Also attending were City Administrator, Matt Harline, Electric Foreman Jeff Armontrout. Police Chief Larry Dudgeon, City Attorney Cydney Mayfield. Citizens present were Zane and Linda Arends

II. Comments from Citizens

None

III. Electric Department

A. Activity Report

Lee stated there is an activity report included in packet and asked for comments and questions.

Armontrout said they have all of the poles removed from the Reed St. project.

B. Generation

Harline said in the closed session they were going to discuss the offer for power purchase.

C. Distribution

None

D. Other

1. Assistant Foreman Position

Lee stated the job description is in the packet. Harline said a second leadership position would be beneficial. The Electric, Water and Street departments have positions that the committee can decide to add and then Harline can decide who is qualified. Hudson asked if this is going to be an added position or are we going to promote within and Harline said it is to add from within.

Magley made a motion to add an Assistant Line Foreman Position in the Electric Department and Wilkins seconded the motion and approved by unanimous voice vote.

IV. PUBLIC WORKS

A. Activity Report

Lee stated there is an activity report included in packet and asked for comments and questions.

None

B. Streets

Hoffman talked about brush hog work, the new snow plow, and we just got the new salt

right before Christmas. Harline said that's great and hopefully we do not have to use them. Lee said Don Jenkins from MECO had been here and Hoffman said they came to look at Mayes Meadows and they are going to crunch numbers and get back with us. Hoffman wanted to inform the committee that the street sweeper is having issues the thought were oil related and it is going to need an engine rebuild or need be replaced and that it is going to be as much as \$6,000-\$10,000. Harline said there is no budget to replace it. Hudson asked how much would it cost for a new one and Grenke said around \$180,000. Lee asked if there was any funds in the budget overall and Harline said no and it is not good news. Hudson asked if the fire engine gift helped out and did it free up the loan. Harline said not really. Magley asked if we had to agree on this tonight and Harline said not at this time. Hoffman just wanted to bring this up. Harline wants to bring this back up in a week and Hoffman will gather more information.

C. Sanitation

None

D. Storm Sewer

Hoffman stated that when weather gets decent; they do have a few smaller projects their going to be working on.

E. Other

None

V. Water and Sewer Department

A. Activity Report

Lee stated there is an activity report included in packet and asked for comments and questions.

B. Water

Lee noted that Forsee was not here but Harline said he was on vacation and that Harline apologized that the meeting had been moved after Forsee had already scheduled his vacation. Grenke asked if we had hired anyone yet to replace Randy Adams, Harline said yes Cody Ricklefs and he is starting January 15, 2017.

C. Sewer

1. Lagoon Mowing

Harline passed around photos from Forsee to show the vegetation and where it was cut back. Harline said the bid was \$14,800 and he believes that is the lowest they had received and that the equipment they had would get into places that others could not. Lee asked if DNR was satisfied with this and Harline said yes.

D. Other

1. Lead Operator Position

Harline said this is similar to the Electric Assistant. The position would be someone who could run a second site for meter installation or when there are water main breaks.

Hudson made a motion to add a Lead Operator Position in the Water Department

and Vollrath seconded the motion and approved by unanimous voice vote.

A. Regional MML Meeting Boonville – Wednesday, January 17

VI. AS MAY RISE.

Harline said back in September there was a settlement on the track phone case, we are do \$ 7900. We can't find where we were sent that money and we promised MML 5%. Harline is going to be following up on this matter. Harline said he is also planning to add onto to the agenda regulations on Airbnb. The person who was interested in this their currently zoned B2. Harline spoke with the owner, he was thinking about renting it out night by night. Harline's main concern is parking and Harline will bring more examples to next meeting. Lee is not opposed to more discussion. Grenke and the council would like more information.

VII. ADJOURN.

Wilkins made a motion to adjourn the meeting that was seconded by Vollrath and approved by unanimous voice vote.

The Committee adjourned 7:21 p.m.