

Minutes of the Public Works and Public Utilities Committee for Monday, August 6, 2018.

The meeting was called to order by Alderman, Jim Lee, and Chairperson at 7:51 p.m.

I. Present

Present were Mayor Tim Grenke, Aldermen David Wilkins, Don Rodgers, Don Bormann, Robert Hudson, David Wilkins and Jim Lee. Also attending were City Administrator, Heather Russell, Public Works Director Mike Forsee, Electric Foreman Jeff Armontrout, Street Forman Phil Hoffman and Water Foreman Matthew Rusch. Police Lt. Kribbs. Citizens present were: Tara Strain, Matthew Purvis, and James Smith of the Centralia Fireside Guard.

II. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

None

III. PUBLIC WORKS

Hoffman said all of the street repairing and patching has been going well. Forsee said Switzler was patched, completed and satisfactory.

A. Streets

The update on Randolph Road Project. Russell said July 25 there was a design meeting with SNS, Forsee, Rusch, Armontrout, and Hoffman. Rusch said they had been collecting soil samples last Friday. Russell said they expect the Randolph road project to be done the summer 2019.

B. Sanitation

None

D. Storm water

The update on Mayes Meadow Project discussed by Hoffman he said the project is waiting on bids this Wednesday August 8, 2018 at City hall. Hoffman also said there have already been several contractors that had called. Rodgers asked if it will be completed this year. Hoffman said yes, they expect before Christmas. Russell said we have bids closing on N Allen and Sunrise circle and Mayes Meadows pavement overlay. Russell is hoping that the two bids will be won by the same company, which is why they are doing them at the same time.

E. Other

Grenke asked if the balls were put on the power lines for Show-Me Shortline. Russell said yes they are on.

IV. WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT

Russell introduced Matthew Rusch as this is his first meeting since he became Water

Department Forman. Lee asked if he had anything to add and Rusch said nothing really to highlight. Forsee said the leak behind Reed Street is hard to get to and to shut down. Forsee said the equipment we have is not big enough. Forsee said it has leaked and been an issue before and it will take time but they are working. Grenke asked about the meter jar at 231 S Hickman, Rusch said it got ran over so it was replaced with a new one. Grenke thanked him.

A. Water
None

B. Sewer
Rusch said they have inspected houses that are going up. Switzler and Reed have been checked.

V. ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

Armontrout told the Board they are just getting started South West Country Estates, he believes this is the 5th phase. They have been pulling overhead wire in and will be spending a lot of time out there. Armontrout also talked about the repairs that took place at the Golf and Social Club, there was a broken pole. Lee asked if the Golf and Social Club are the ones responsible and Grenke said yes they are. Grenke asked about new meters. Armontrout said we need to get something going. He cannot get any more display boards and only has 60 left. Grenke asked if we are exploring different options and Armontrout said yes.

A. Generation/Purchase

Russell said it has been submitted to Nextra.

B. Distribution

Armontrout said we had a tree limb issue over the weekend; East circuit was off about 1 ½ but the limb was removed and taken care of. Forsee talked about getting a trencher and how it would be helpful at Denton, Sunset, and Adams. Forsee has bids on two and is hoping for the Ditchwitch trencher it has a back hoe attachment as well. The price is \$66,333, Russell said we saved \$86,000 over budget with the Digger Derrick Truck. Forsee stressed how we will be able to get into tight spots and Armontrout said it will cut down on time. Bormann had talked with the City Inspector and he was saying the South West Country Estates substation is 27 years old and probably has a life span of 30, it will need replaced and would cost about 1.5 million. Russell said short term we need to focus on the AMI system, were looking at ½ million. Hudson wants to know what we have in reserve and would like to see that at the next meeting. Armontrout mentioned MPUA and we are having annual tests.

C. Other
None

VI. Report from Director of Public Works & Public Utilities

Forsee said he has been checking setbacks, helping out the department heads, poured

concrete, and wanted to thank Armontrout for helping him in the electric department.

VII. OTHER

Bormann had received a letter from Margie Finlay concerning 609 S Rollins that is next door to her; the residence is becoming worse and there are violations. That there is trash everywhere. Lt Kribbs said he is aware of it and Sandy is dealing with it, that the owner's brother is trying to get him evicted and it is very unsightly but it is being handled. Rodgers said he has noticed customers taking advantage of Dayne's by putting out extra trash, like whole living rooms. Rodgers asked if Dayne's was saying anything and Russell said they are very specific; customers do get charged for extra bulk. Hoffman stated you may put out as many bags as you would like. Russell agreed but we do see the charges. Rodgers asked if that upset anyone and Maenner said she has talked with upset customers in the office and that because Dayne's is so specific we can tell the customer what it was they put out. Russell said Dayne's even takes pictures.

VIII. AS MAY ARISE

National Night Out is going to be taking place August 7th, 2018

Bormann said the Chamber had the Wine Walk on July 28th he said there were about 175 people. The Vendors pleased and many said the turn out would double for next year. Even the Winery's that participated were pleased. Bormann said the Chamber has already set a date for the Wine Walk next year for the last weekend in July, 2019.

Grenke let the Board know he was contacted and was interviewed by K love on the radio.

IX. ADJOURN

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

The Committee adjourned 8:22p.m.