

Minutes of the Public Works and Public Utilities Committee for Monday, February 11, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Alderman, Jim Lee at 7:17p.m.

I. ATTENDANCE.

Present were Mayor Tim Grenke, City Administrator Heather Russell, Aldermen Don Rodgers, Don Bormann, Landon Magley, Robert Hudson, David Wilkins and Jim Lee. Also attending were Electric Foreman Jeff Armontrout, Water Foreman Matthew Rusch, Lieutenant Tim Kribbs and Chief Bob Bias. Citizens present were: Sheila Bias and Linda Bormann

II. PUBLIC WORKS

A. Activity Report

Grenke wanted to let the crews know they all did a great job during the recent snow and ice events, and said he heard a lot of compliments from citizens. Hoffman said his crews did very well. Forsee said that more salt has been ordered and we've been told it will get here when more is available. Hoffman said they are using the calcium chloride more than salt.

B. Streets

1. Proposed north intersection drawings for Randolph Road

Russell wanted to follow up from the meeting last week with a color copy for the Randolph north intersection drawings. Bormann wanted to point out some ways to make this cheaper; he believes we need to go forward because we did make a promise. Bormann talked about how we put a lot of money with CREDI. But he believes putting this road in would be good for economic development. He said if we open this area up, there will be a return for the community. He wants to attract business and industry. Bormann wants to reduce prices where we can and go forward. Russell said Bormann brought up the off centered road to stay out of the utility line. Grenke does not see a difference in 5 foot. Rodgers asked can we build the road without moving utilities and there was discussion made by the Aldermen. Hoffman talked about the dirt work that would be done. Magley talked about the water line. Forsee said the drains are still on the map and they have been checking it and it has not been pooling. Grenke talked about the issues of water. Russell said this is just for the Boards information. Russell said next week she can bring this back for a vote. Lee noted it was all good discussion.

C. Sanitation

None

D. Stormwater

None

E. Other

1. Concrete Bids

Forsee talked to the Board about the two types of mixes that Hoffman and the street

department use. He said the bids were coming in at different prices throughout the year. Forsee said Central Concrete is the one they are considering and they get pretty good prices. Hoffman said the contractor can usually get a better bid on the concrete. Russell will bring this back to the meeting next Tuesday.

III. WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT

A. Activity Report

Rusch said they have just been thawing meters out. He said they had one leak on Tidball due to the boring company that hit it and left it and the boring company is going to be billed.

B. Water

None

C. Sewer

1. Proposed Sewer Rate Increase & Public Hearing Notice

Russell said this will be March 2019. Rodgers asked what these are based on and Russell said it was a combination of things. Russell will review this and bring it back to the Board.

2. Sewer Lining Proposals

Forsee said we had sent bids out for lining. He stated the two bids were good. Forsee is leaning toward Visu-Sewer, they worked with them last year and they did a good job. Russell said this is in the Budget for this year.

Hudson, made a motion to accept the bid from Visu-Sewer, Wilkins seconded the motion which was then approved by unanimous voice vote.

D. Other

Forsee said we are struggling with the water. There was discussion on the water overflow. Grenke asked about the smash culverts and Hoffman said that was something that happened and they fixed it.

IV. ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

A. Activity Report

Armontrout said they have been working on standard stuff. Grenke said the tree work we had done this summer helped a lot with the ice and snow. Armontrout said we need more tree trimming but agreed that it was helpful.

B. Generation/Purchase

None

C. Distribution

None

D. Other

None

V. Public Works & Public Utilities Director's Report

Forsee wanted to let the Board know how close we are for the sewer. We are waiting for the flow meters to be installed. Forsee said they have talked about the AMI system, and have a few more questions for Armontrout. Forsee said he is staying in touch with the boring companies. Forsee wanted to let the Board know how the crews are all working together very well. Armontrout said the crews did a great job during the storms.

VI. *CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Hudson moved the Board of Aldermen of the City of Centralia, Missouri to hold a closed meeting as provided for under Section 610.021 (2) Leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefore; and 2. as provided for under Section 610.021(3) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri for hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body.

3. for legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys as provided for under Section 610.021 (1) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri;

Alderman Hudson asked that this motion be adopted by roll call vote. The motion was seconded by Alderman Wilkins. The motion passed with the following vote being unanimous.

The meeting went into closed session at 7:56p.m.

During closed session there was discussion with no vote taken. Alderman Wilkins made a motion to return to open session. Alderman Rodgers seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Returned to open session at 8:19p.m.

VII. AS MAY ARISE

Grenke said he is attending the MML Legislative Conference this week and would be meeting with legislatures and the Governor.

VIII. ADJOURN

Wilkins, made a motion to adjourn the Committee meeting, Hudson seconded the motion which was then approved by unanimous voice vote at 8:21p.m.