

MINUTES PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

SEPTEMBER 14, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Mel Schaefer at 5:00 p.m. Members present were Matt Quade, Neil Herzberg, and Dave Peschong. Keith Hemmesch was absent. Advisory members present were Ron Mergen, Public Works Director and Chuck DeWolf, Bolton & Menk, Inc.

Motion was made by Peschong to approve the minutes from the July 13, 2015 Public Works Committee meeting. Seconded by Herzberg and unanimously carried.

SNOWPLOWING CONTRACT

The Snowplowing Contract was reviewed. The Contract is negotiated each year, not bid out and there are no other contractors in the area that are willing or capable of providing the service. It was commented that D & D provides good and timely service. The pricing was discussed that the \$120.00 rate is \$5.00 per hour higher than last year.

Motion was made by Peschong to approve the Snowplowing Contract between the City of Paynesville and D & D for the 2015-2016 snow season and recommend such to the City Council. Seconded by Herzberg and unanimously carried.

FLOODING AREA

Pictures of Railroad St., Garfield Ave., and Pomeroy Ave. were review. Members noted that this was a 5" rain event and was considered a 100 year rain event.

RIP RAP

Two quotes were reviewed for granite rip rap. The low bid was from Voss at \$48.00 per ton delivered and placed for 1,500 ton for a total cost of \$72,000.00. The funds are to come from the Sewer CIP. This is the last section of the ponds to be completed. After a short discussion,

Motion was made by Herzberg to approve the quote from Voss in the amount of \$48.00 per ton for granite rip rap and recommend such to the City Council. Seconded by Peschong and unanimously carried.

GPS PATHFINDER

Mergen reported that several years back the City approved Bolton & Menk, Inc. to GPS all the City water & sewer lines which has been completed. At that time the City held off on the proposed unit in hopes the price would decrease; however, it has not. The proposed unit will be utilized on a daily basis for locating, sign inventory, sprinkler systems in the parks, etc. After a short discussion,

Motion was made by Herzberg to approve the quote from Frontier Precision in the amount of \$10,971.00 for the Trimble Geo 7x Pathfinder and recommend such to the City Council. Seconded by Peschong and unanimously carried.

PROPOSED WATER & SEWER BUDGETS

The budget line items were reviewed along with the proposed rate increases, rate comparisons, WAC & SAC charges, trunk charges, water & sewer loss reports, projected revenues, cash balances, and irrigation details. The proposed rate increases are as follows:

Water	base charge \$1.00 increase	bulk rate \$.10
Sewer	base charge, no increase	bulk rate \$.51
WAC & SAC	no increase	
Trunk Charge	no increase	

Members questioned the interest income and sewer receipts, the budgets will be brought back to the October meeting for clarification.

REGIONAL POND OPTION TO PURCHASE

Members reviewed options and the reasons for the increase. It was questioned where the 2 acre lot is that is being referred to and does the City have some other comparable land sales. Members suggested the City find this information and do some negotiating before a recommendation is made.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.