

**MINUTES
PUBLIC WORKS BOARD**

MARCH 11, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairperson, Jim Freilinger at 5:00 p.m. Members present were Dave Peschong and Steve Vaske. Matt Quade and Neil Herzberg were 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 February 11, 2019 Public Works Board meeting with the noted correction. Seconded by Vaske and unanimously carried.

CRACK SEALING

Two proposals were received for crack sealing of 10,000 pounds of material. The low price was from Midwest Asphalt at \$1.40 per lb. which includes routing, blowing the cracks, and sealing with Deery 3723 MNDOT crack sealer. The roads to be sealed are the 2017 street project streets. It was also noted that Midwest Asphalt has worked for the City several times in the past and has performed very acceptable work.

Motion was made by Peschong to approve the quote from Midwest asphalt at the price of \$1.40 per pound for a total of \$14,000.00 for crack sealing and recommend such to the City Council. Seconded by Freilinger and unanimously carried.

AMPI UPDATE

DeWolf reported that the City Council has approved the plans and specifications. The bid date is planned for March 20, 2019; however, due to several other large bids on that day they are recommending moving it back a week.

FUTURE SHOP

Members were informed that due to budget concerns with the 2019 project and the shop the bond payments would increase by 35%; therefore, the shop will need to be delayed for several years. Two proposals were presented to assist operations until that point:

1. Mergen and the on-call person be allowed to take the City vehicles home. This will free up two stalls in the shop and would have two less private vehicles there in the summer months when more room is necessary. Members discussed this and did not have an issue with it as long as no City vehicle is left on the street overnight and the vehicles are used for City use only.
2. Install two overhead doors with openers at the cold storage building on Railroad St. Currently there are two 14' sliding doors which during the last storm were frozen into the ground. Employees worked over an hour trying to open one of them up at 3:00 a.m.

Two quotes for the doors were presented:

Garage Door Store	\$4,130.00
Buerman Garage Door	\$3,461.00

Motion was made by Freilinger to approve the quote from Buerman Door in the amount of \$3,461.00 for the installation of two overhead doors and recommend such to the City Council. Seconded by Peschong and unanimously carried.

Motion was made by Peschong to allow Ron Mergen and the on-call person to take City vehicles home with the understanding vehicles will not be left out on the street and be used for City use only and recommend such to the City Council. Seconded by Vaske and unanimously carried.

IRRIGATION MANAGEMENT PLAN

A proposal was reviewed for the scope of work to conduct an Irrigation Management Plan which includes:

- Volumes of discharge - wet year versus dry year
- Windows of operation for each crop
- Nutrient loadings and nutrient up take for each crop
- Soil maps for all irrigation sites
- Tiling recommendations
- The need for pasture (i.e. dumping sites versus row crops)
- Identify the optimal acreage, crop type and rotation for each site to be able to irrigate in the wet and dry conditions without leeching any nutrients or having any run off
- Develop a cost per acre value, what should the City be charging
- Explore other irrigation options

Members all agreed this would be a useful tool and will help communicate with the irrigators the City works with.

Motion was made by Peschong to approve Bolton & Menk, Inc. to conduct an irrigation management plan in the amount of \$9,800.00 and recommend such to the City Council. Seconded by Vaske and unanimously carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.