

The Board of Public Works of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska met in regular session in the Council Chambers of City Hall on the 2nd day of November, 2015 at 4:00 o'clock p.m., in a publicly convened session, the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advance publicized notice.

The following members of the Board of Public Works were present: Dan Blessing and Fred Pooch. Absent: Lynn Campbell. Others present: Matt McHenry, Mayor Montz, Doug Goracke, Mike Davison, Ray Kappel, Bruce Dalluge and Tracy Milke.

Motion by Blessing, seconded by Pooch, to approve the minutes of the October 5, 2015 regular meeting. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Pooch, seconded by Blessing, to approve payment of bills. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Board members reviewed the water/wastewater report with Tracy Milke. Milke stated that the 100,000 gallon tower in town and the prison tower were both drained and cleaned and the 300,000 tank in town was visually inspected. He also stated that Pulsafeeder service personnel were working on the chlorine pumps at the wells and will be returning soon as their efforts were not successful. Utility employees assisted in replacing several diffusers at the wastewater treatment plant.

Board members were informed of the issues with the Cla valve on Webster Street and that it will probably need to be replaced along with upgrading the ball valve at the water tower. Doug Goracke stated that he did not have a cost yet, but it should be considered as it would make the system more efficient.

Board members asked that Mike Davison contact Olsson Associates regarding the cost of conducting a water rate study.

Matt McHenry, from the Village of Burchard, visited with the Board about negotiating the cost for service associated with the proposed contract for managing their water and wastewater systems and the Board said that they would be willing to amend the contract to start December 1, 2015 and work with the Village if the trip charges for water sampling become more expensive than originally thought. Other options included a month-to-month contract and a 30-day notice of termination. The Board will address this issue at the next meeting.

Motion by Blessing, seconded by Pooch, to approve Olsson's Invoice No. 240154 for professional services rendered for the Tecumseh Historic Square Water System Improvements in the amount of \$750.00 and Invoice No. 238895 for \$12,400.00. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion by Blessing, seconded by Pooch, to approve the final plans for the Downtown Revitalization Water Project, as prepared by Olsson Associates, in addition to abandoning the 6-inch main at 5th Street and Clay and relocating the five services in the area to the best location possible. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Mike Davison reported that the seals are being replaced on the booster pump at the prison. Maintenance work to the road at the wells was done and the tar machine is in need of a new part. They also will be replacing the demo hammer. Engine No. 1 at the power plant is leaking oil and is being repaired and the switch gear north of 3rd Street and High will be changed-over at a time that will allow for as little down-time as possible. Doug Goracke asked for advice as to what type of service truck the Board would be interested in purchasing, whether or not to lease/purchase and when to order. Goracke will report back on costs, etc., at the next meeting.

On motion the meeting was adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

Lynn Campbell

Secretary

Dan Blessing

Chairman